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# Foreword

GREAT CREDIT IS DUE TO ROY GROSSNICK and his expert staff in the Naval Historical Center's Aviation History Branch for initiating a new publication series entitled the *Dictionary of American Naval Aviation Squadrons.* The first volume of that series, which we are now publishing, includes approximately 180 histories and other data covering every squadron in the attack (VA) and strike fighter (VFA) communities from the time the first of these commands (VA-35) was established in 1934. This publication may be compared to the *Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships,* a nine-volume compilation of individual ship histories published by the Naval Historical Center between 1959 and 1991. Now, at long last, a basic reference work is under preparation that provides similar data for aviation commands.

Subsequent volumes in this series will cover other components of naval aviation. At the present time, the Aviation History Branch is preparing a follow-on volume containing histories of all patrol squadrons of the U.S. Navy. This task is in addition to the many other duties that office handles, including the writing of articles for *Naval Aviation News* and responding to an increasingly heavy load of official and unofficial requests for information on all aspects of aviation history.

History is a useful subject for the Navy for several reasons. Insofar as it represents the sum total of the Navy's experience, it is an essential subject for study by naval professionals. History also is a means of giving an account to the American people of the activities of their Navy. Finally, since history allows naval personnel to learn about the origins, achievements, and traditions of their commands and of the Navy as a whole, it is a powerful means to promote naval morale. The Navy's historians publish the first volume with all of these purposes in mind. We hope this volume will be of interest and use to the active-duty Navy and to many other individuals interested in this nation's rich naval heritage.

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# Preface

THE *DICTIONARY OF AMERICAN NAVAL AVIATION SQUADRONS*, the first of a multivolume series, provides a brief history, by community, of every squadron the Navy has established since the evolution of the squadron concept in the post-World War I era. The information and format selected to tell the story of each squadron was developed from a pattern of common reference questions. The nature of the squadron data lends itself to a variety of formats for most entries in the squadron histories instead of a straight narrative style. The dictionary, written primarily for use as a reference work, states concise facts about each squadron that provide a better understanding of the contributions made by naval aviation squadrons in service to their country.

Naval aviation is primarily a twentieth century development and has become an important element of U.S. sea power. It is part of the technological revolution that has been the hallmark of the twentieth century. The aircraft, weapons systems and associated technical equipment, combined with the men and women assigned to the squadrons, are instrumental to its success.

Each squadron history begins with a lineage section that starts with the date of establishment. It also includes any redesignations and disestablishment date if applicable. The squadron's establishment date may be equated to a ship's commissioning and the history for a squadron or ship begins on that date. When a squadron is redesignated, there is no break in the history of that squadron. The history of a squadron covers the period from its establishment to its disestablishment, regardless of how many redesignations it undergoes. Redesignations can cause confusion when tracing the lineage of a squadron. For more information on how to trace squadron lineages, please refer to Appendix 5.

A short description and photograph for all officially approved insignia used by a squadron follows the lineage section. The chronology narrates the squadron's important operational events and developments. The remaining six sections pertain to the evolutionary history of the squadron and includes listings of home port assignments, commanding officers, aircraft assignments, overseas deployments, air wing assignments and major unit awards.

This first volume covers the attack and strike fighter communities and includes VA (attack squadron), VAH (heavy attack squadron), VAK (tactical aerial refueling squadron), VAL (light attack squadron), VAP (heavy photographic squadron) and VFA (strike fighter squadron). Although VAK and VAP did not have a primary mission of offensive and defensive air-to-surface operations, they are included here because these squadrons operated attack-designated planes, such as the AJ-2 and the A-3 and its derivatives. The squadron histories in this volume cover only those squadrons that are currently designated VA or VFA or those that had the VA, VAH, VAK, VAL, VAP and VFA designations when they were disestablished. Any attack squadron redesignated VF, VS, RVAH, VAQ or VAW that did not revert back to VA is not in this volume. The lineage listing in Appendix 6 provides a cross reference list for all squadrons that may have had the VA, VA(AW), VAH, VA(HM), VAK, VAL, VAP and VFA designation.

Reserve squadron histories begin in 1970 following the reorganization of the Naval Air Reserve Force. Prior to that time reserve air squadrons were not permanently assigned aircraft. During weekend drills they used aircraft from their local naval air station. This pre-1970 organizational system, combined with the fact that these squadrons provided no permanent historical records, makes it difficult to trace its activities. Hence, histories on reserve squadrons prior to 1970 cover only those squadrons called to active duty and assigned their own aircraft.

Histories for active squadrons cover the period from establishment up through 1990, an arbitrary cutoff date. If a squadron was redesignated or disestablished after 1990, its history is updated to its redesignation or disestablishment date.

Most illustrations used in the book are official U.S. Navy photographs unless otherwise identified. If available, a photograph is included for each major type of aircraft operated by a squadron.

Extensive appendices not only provide additional statistical material but also help to clarify or explain the Navy's unique organization and use of acronyms or designations.

When drafting a reference work with such an extensive range of data, it is almost impossible to prevent errors. An exhaustive effort was made to check the compilation of material presented in this book. When different sets of records or sources provided conflicting dates, I attempted to select the most accurate one based on my research. In some cases only a specific year could be determined. As the writer and major compiler of the data for this volume, I accept full responsibility for any mistakes or errors of fact or misinterpretations that may have occurred in the book, and I welcome any corrections.

Roy A. Grossnick

# Acknowledgments

I CONCEIVED THIS BOOK AFTER eight years of working in the Naval Aviation History Office. A common request received by the office was for a complete history of a particular squadron. Realizing the need for a history of all naval aviation squadrons prompted the development of a format that would meet the requirements posed by the Navy and most people requesting information on a squadron. Using the *Dictionary of American Fighting Ships* as an example of an excellent primary reference source, I patterned my approach along lines similar to that series.

I am very grateful for the guidance and support provided by many individuals and organizations that were instrumental in making this book possible. The initial support I received from Captain Steven U. Ramsdell, USN (Ret.), former Director, Naval Aviation History and Publications Division, in getting this project off the ground was one of the keys to the successful completion of the book. He provided valuable comments in his reviews of the draft histories. His successors, Commander Stephen R. Silverio, USN (Ret.) and Commander Michael S. Lipari, continued in his footsteps, providing review recommendations as well as support for the project.

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Dr. William J. Armstrong, historian for the Naval Air Systems Command, compiled and drafted the manuscript on aircraft data for Appendix 1. When writing the history of naval aviation, it is imperative that the technical aspects are included with the operational history. His contributions in Appendix 1 will help to amplify and clarify information regarding the specific aircraft operated by the Navy's aviation squadrons.

I would like to express my thanks to my wife, Mary, and daughter, Maki, for helping to assemble the book during its last stages before publication. I owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. John Grier, a design and typesetting specialist from the Government Printing Office, for his efforts in getting the book ready for the printer. For those I have not mentioned by name, let me say that your contributions are appreciated and are not forgotten.

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### CHAPTER 1

# The Evolution of Aircraft Class and Squadron Designation Systems

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System and the Squadron Designation System. Each system will be discussed separately and in a chronological format. This will help to make comparisons and time links between the two systems and enable the reader to grasp the significant interplay between the two designations.

The Aircraft Class Designation System was created before most squadrons and the Squadron Designation System did not come into existence until the First World War period. The evolution of the Aircraft Class Designation System is as follows:

## Aircraft Class Designation System

### Early Period of Naval Aviation up to 1920

THE DESIGNATIONS USED in the early period of naval aviation were reflective of the problems encountered in setting up a framework/system for designating aircraft. From 1911 to 1920 two different Aircraft Class Designation Systems were used. From 1911 up to 1914 naval aircraft were identified by a single letter indicating the general type and manufacturer, followed by a number to indicate the individual plane of that type/manufacturer. Under this system:

A was used for Curtiss hydroaeroplanes
B for Wright hydroaeroplane
C for Curtiss flying boats
D for Burgess flying boats
E for Curtiss amphibian flying boats

This system remained in effect until [illegible] Captain Washington I. Chambers [illegible] Aviation. The following is a list of the types of aircraft and their designations in existence from 1911–1914:

*Aircraft Designation System, 1911–1914*

A-1 Curtiss hydroaeroplane (originally an amphibian and the first Navy airplane)
A-2 Curtiss landplane (rebuilt as a hydroaeroplane)
A-3 Curtiss hydroaeroplane
A-4 Curtiss hydroaeroplane
B-1 Wright landplane (converted to hydroaeroplane)
B-2 Wright Type [illegible] hydroaeroplane
B-3 Wright Type [illegible] hydroaeroplane
C-1 Curtiss flying boat
C-2 Curtiss flying boat
C-3 Curtiss flying boat
C-4 Curtiss flying boat
C-5 Curtiss flying boat
D-1 Burgess [illegible] and Curtis flying boat
D-2 Burgess [illegible] and Curtis flying boat

E-1 OWL (Over Water and Land), a Curtiss hydroaeroplane rebuilt as a short-hulled flying boat for flying over water and land and fitted with wheels for use as an amphibian.

A new Aircraft Class Designation System was established by Captain Mark L. Bristol. Bristol, the officer [illegible] assumed the [illegible] position [illegible] December 1913. The new system was issued on 27 March 1914 as General Order 88, [illegible] designation of aircraft. This system changed the original designation of the aircraft to a two-letter and a number of which the first letter denoted class, the second the type within a class, and the number the order in which aircraft within the class were acquired. The designations in effect 27 March 1914 are as follows:

*Aircraft Designation System, 1914–1920*

Aircraft class:
A for heavier-than-air craft. Within the A class:
  L stood for land machine
  H stood for hydroaeroplane
  B stood for flying boat
  X stood for combination land and water machine (amphibian)
  C stood for convertible (one that can be equipped either as a land or water machine)
  D for dirigible
B for balloon
K for kites

Under this new system all the Navy's airplanes were redesignated AH-, with the A identifying the class as a heavier-than-air craft and the H denoting hydroaeroplane. General Order 88 also provided a corresponding link between the old aircraft designations and the new system. The aircraft then in the service received new designations as follows:

A-1 became the AH-1
A-2 became the AH-2
A-3 became the AH-3
B-1 became the AH-4
B-2 became the AH-5
B-3 became the AH-6
C-1 became the AB-1
C-2 became the AB-2
C-3 became the AB-3
C-4 became the AB-4
C-5 became the AB-5
D-1 became the AB-6
D-2 became the AB-7
E-1 became the AX-1

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Despite the phrase "now in the service" the A, B and [illegible] class dirigibles had ceased to exist before the order was issued.

### The Early 1920s

In General Order 541, issued in 1920, two classes of aircraft were identified and assigned permanent letters which have remained in effect since 1920. Lighter-than-air types were identified by the letter Z and heavier-than-air types were assigned the letter V. Within these two categories another one letter was assigned to further differentiate the aircraft's operation or classification. The letters assigned to the Z types were R for rigid, N for nonrigid and K for kite. By combining the two letters the class designation for different types of [illegible] could be depicted. As an example:

ZR referred to rigid dirigible airships;
ZN stood for nonrigid airships;
ZK for kite balloons.

The class letters assigned to the heavier-than-air (airplanes) V types, while usage has generally [illegible] for the purpose [illegible] of the aircraft classes, the letters assigned to the V types were:

F for fighting
O for observation
S for scouting
P for patrol
T for torpedo
G for fleet (utility)

By combining the V designation for heavier-than-air vehicles with the type letters the following aircraft class definitions were assigned in 1920:

VF for fighting plane
VO for observation plane
VS for scouting plane
VP for patrol plane
VT for torpedo and bombing plane
VG for fleet plane (most likely a general utility aircraft)

The class designation system for aircraft has undergone numerous modifications since it was first issued. There have been many additions, deletions and major changes to the system over the years, but the concept has remained intact. The current aircraft designation list includes F, [illegible], P, S and T aircraft classes. Three of these, F, P and S, still carry the same definitions they were assigned in 1920. The [illegible] T and [illegible] class designations now refer to antisubmarine [illegible], in-flight refueling [illegible] and trainer aircraft.

The aircraft designation system established in July 1920 by General Order 541 was modified on 29 March 1922 by Bureau of Aeronautics Technical Note 213 which added the identity of the manufacturer to the aircraft model designation. The aircraft class designations remained the same as those issued in General Order 541 [illegible] except the [illegible] the aircraft class [illegible]. In addition, [illegible] were added to the aircraft classes. The only new aircraft classes were [illegible] for Training Aircraft and [illegible] for Marine Expeditionary Plane.

### The mid to late 1920s

Between 1922 and 1929 there were only a few modifications to the Aircraft Class Designation System. The Bureau of Aeronautics was established in July 1921 and after the initial changes to the Aircraft Class Designation System [illegible]. In a letter dated [illegible] the Bureau of Aeronautics issued Technical Note No. [illegible] that changed the [illegible] designation for training aircraft to [illegible], dropped the [illegible] designation and added the [illegible] designation for Transport Plane. This was followed [illegible] the addition in 192[illegible] of the [illegible] designation for experimental aircraft. The [illegible] designation was dropped from the Aircraft Class Designation list in January [illegible]. In July 1928 the [illegible] designation was dropped and the [illegible] designation was changed from Transportation Plane to General Utility. Two new designations were also established: VB for bombers and VH for ambulance. A new aircraft class was added in July [illegible] and designated VR for transport aircraft. The VR designation has remained in effect for transport aircraft since 19[illegible].

### The 1930s

Some changes took place in the Aircraft Class Designation System during the early 1930s. By July 1930 there were ten aircraft class designations. This was distinct [illegible] from those aircraft class designations under the previous system. The aircraft class designations in July 1930 were as follows:

VB for bombers
VF for fighting
VH for ambulance
VJ for general utility
VN for training
VO for observation

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[illegible] Bureau of Aeronautics Technical Note No. [illegible], The [illegible] Model Designation of Airplanes, [illegible].

[illegible] Bureau of Aeronautics Technical Note No. [illegible], [illegible] Model Designation of Airplanes, [illegible].

[illegible] Model Designation of Naval Aircraft, [illegible].

[illegible] Model Designation [illegible] Airplanes, [illegible].

[illegible] Model Designation [illegible] Airplanes, [illegible].

[illegible] Model Designation of Naval Airplanes, [illegible] July [illegible].

P for patrol
R for transport
S for scouting
T for torpedo

A major change was instituted in the Aircraft Class Designation System on 2 January 1934.[18] Prior to 1934, aircraft classes had been established according to the primary mission assigned to each aircraft. The realization that aircraft were capable of performing more than one mission was recognized in the revised system by assigning an additional letter to the two-letter aircraft class designation. In the new three-letter aircraft class designations, the first letter identified the type of vehicle, such as V for heavier-than-air craft and Z for lighter-than-air. The next letters, or the second letter identified the primary mission of the aircraft using the same single letter designations listed in the above paragraph. The third letter indicated the secondary mission of the aircraft, such as:

F for fighting
O for observation
B for bombing
T for torpedo
S for scouting

By assigning these new secondary mission letters to the former two-letter designations, seven new aircraft class designations were established:

BF for bombing-fighting
OS for observation-scouting
PB for patrol-bombing
PT for patrol-torpedo
SB for scouting-bombing
SO for scout-observation
TB for torpedo-bombing

In the midst of World War II, the Aircraft Designation System instituted on 1 July 1943 was similar to that which had been established in 1934. There were eleven basic aircraft class designations and six designations that included a secondary mission letter in the class designation. The 1 July 1943 Model Designation of Naval Aircraft included the following aircraft class designations:

Bombing—VB
Fighting—VF
Miscellaneous—[illegible]
Observation—VO
Patrol—VP
Scouting
Torpedo—VT
Training—VN
Transport (multi-engine)—VR
Transport (single-engine)
Utility (VJ)
Observation-Scouting—VOS
Patrol-Bombing—VPB
Scouting-Bombing—VSB
Scouting-Observation—VSO
Torpedo-Bombing—VTB
Utility-Transport—VJR

## World War II

The designation changes for the aircraft class and squadron system during World War II and the immediate postwar period are identified in the Model Designation of Naval Aircraft, the Aviation Circular Letter, and in the Navy Department Bulletin.

By mid-1944, eleven new aircraft class designations had been added to the Model Designation of Naval Aircraft.[19] The additions included:

A for ambulance
BT for bombing-torpedo
SN for scout-trainer
VL for gliders
LN for training-gliders
LR for transport-gliders
H for helicopters
HO for observation-helicopter
T for trainers
TD for torpedo-drones used as target drones
ZN for nonrigid airships
ZNN for nonrigid-training (nonrigid airships)
ZNP for nonrigid patrol and scouting airships

As the war progressed more changes were made to the Model Designation of Naval Aircraft. On 1 July 1945, a major change was instituted in the aircraft class designation system. Aircraft were broken into three main types identified by a letter:

V for heavier-than-air vehicles (i.e., planes, gliders and drones)
H for rotating-wing vehicles (helicopters)
Z for lighter-than-air vehicles (airships)

The three main types were then each subdivided into classes. The classes under the heavier-than-air (fixed-wing) type V included:

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|---|---|
| F | fighters |
| F(M) | fighters (medium or two engine) |
| SB | scout bombers |
| TB | torpedo bombers |
| | observation scout |

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[18] Bureau of Aeronautics, Model Designation of Naval Aircraft, [illegible]

[illegible]

[19] Model Designation of Naval Aircraft, [illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| VPB(HL) | patrol bombers (heavy or 4 engine landplane) |
| VPB(ML) | patrol bombers (medium or 2 engine landplane) |
| VPB(HS) | patrol bombers (heavy or 4 engine seaplane) |
| VPB(MS) | patrol bombers (medium or 2 engine seaplane) |
| VR(HL) | transport (heavy or 4 engine landplane) |
| VR(ML) | transport (medium or 2 engine landplane) |
| VR(HS) | transport (heavy or 4 engine seaplane) |
| VR(MS) | transport (medium or 2 engine seaplane) |
| VJ(M) | utility (medium or 2 engine) |
| VJ | utility |
| VN(M) | training |
| VN | training |
| [illegible] | training |
| VK | drones |
| VK | drones (large, bomber) |
| L | gliders |
| LN | gliders (training) |
| LR | gliders (transport) |

The helicopter type (H) had the following classes:

| | |
|---|---|
| HO | helicopters (observation) |
| HN | helicopters (training) |
| HR | helicopters (transport) |

The lighter-than-air types had the following classes:

| | |
|---|---|
| ZP | airships (patrol) |
| ZN | airships (training) |
| ZNE | airships (training and [illegible]) |

This table of class changes in the Model Designation of Navy aircraft was still in effect at the end of World War II and only a couple of additions had been made. They included:

VS for scout bomber
HJ for utility helicopters

## Post World War II and the late 1940s

On 11 March 1946 a major revision was made to the Class Designation of Naval aircraft. It [illegible] the letter symbol [illegible] in the designation of aircraft. Four types were designated a letter designation. They were:

V for heavier-than-air fixed wing
H for helicopters [illegible]
K for heavier-than-air [illegible] wing
Z for lighter-than-air

Within the class designation for V type aircraft, the primary mission and class designations were as follows:

| Primary Mission | Designation |
|---|---|
| Fighter (destroy enemy aircraft in the air) | F |
| Attack (destroy enemy surface or ground targets) | A |
| Patrol (search for enemy) | P |
| Observation (observe and direct ship and shore gunfire) | O |
| Transport purposes | R |
| Utility purposes | VU |
| Training purposes | T |
| Drones | |

Within the class designation for H type (rotary wing), the primary mission and class designations were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Antisubmarine | HS |
| Observation | HO |
| Training | HT |
| Transport | HR |
| Utility | |

Within the class designation for K type (pilotless aircraft), the primary mission and class designations were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| For attack on aerial targets | KA |
| For attack on ship targets | KS |
| For attack on ground targets | KG |
| For use as target aircraft | KD |
| For utility purposes | KU |

Within the class designation for Z type (lighter-than-air craft), the primary mission and class designations were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Patrol and escort | ZP |
| Antisubmarine | ZS |
| Training | ZT |
| Utility | ZU |

This table provided that the designation of all aircraft then in production [illegible] except that the mission letter of all [illegible] class aircraft shall be changed to A. Thus, the [illegible] and TBF (TBM) aircraft [illegible] while the BT2D and BTM aircraft were redesignated AD and AM. These aircraft were assigned to the new attack squadrons established in the latter part of 1946.

In 1947 a modification was made to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] March 1947 [illegible] designation was added to the [illegible]. The new class designation was the M type for Guided Missiles and the primary mission and class designations were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Air-to-air | AAM |
| Air-to-surface | ASM |
| Air-to-underwater | AUM |
| Surface-to-air | SAM |
| Surface-to-surface | SSM |
| Surface-to-underwater | SUM |
| Underwater-to-air | UAM |
| Underwater-to-surface | USM |
| Test vehicle | |

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[illegible] [illegible] Mission [illegible] BuAer [illegible]

Since this volume of the *Dictionary of American Naval Aviation Squadrons* deals primarily with the attack community, the remaining discussion of the Aircraft Class Designation System will deal only with the heavier-than-air fixed wing type used as attack aircraft. In 1946 the V type was composed of the following classes:

| | |
|---|---|
| VF Fighter | Air defense and escort |
| VA Attack | Surface and ground attack |
| VP Patrol | ASW, reconnaissance and attack |
| (Heavy attack) | [illegible] |
| VR Transport | Air logistic support |
| VU Utility | Fleet utility support |
| VT Training | Basic and fleet training |
| [illegible] | |

### The 1950s, 1960s, 1970s and 1980s

During the early 1950s several changes were made to the V (heavier-than-air, fixed wing) type. The [illegible] class was dropped and the following classes were added:

VS Scouting — Submarine search and attack (carrier)
VW Warning — Airborne early warning

In 1955 the mission classes of the V type were further broken down into sub-classes. The V type classes and sub-classes were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| VA Attack | Surface and ground attack |
| VA([illegible]) | Interdiction |
| VA([illegible]) | Ground support |
| VA(AW) | All Weather and ASW |
| VA(W) | Air Early Warning and ASW |
| VA([illegible]) | Heavy |
| VF Fighter | Air defense and escort |
| VF([illegible]) | Interceptor |
| VF([illegible]) | Day jet |
| VF([illegible])(Prop) | Day propeller |
| VF(AW) | All weather jet |
| VF(AW)(Prop) | All weather propeller |
| VF(P) | Photographic jet |
| VF(P)(Prop) | Photographic propeller |
| VF([illegible]) | Drone control |
| (Land based) | Observation and artillery spotting |
| VP Patrol | ASW, reconnaissance, mining and attack |
| VP(L) | Landplane |
| VP([illegible]) | Seaplane |
| VP([illegible]) | [illegible] |
| VP(WEA) | Weather |
| VP(Q) | Countermeasure |
| VR Transport | Air logistic support |
| VR([illegible]) | Heavy landplane |
| VR(M) | Medium landplane |
| VR([illegible]) | Heavy seaplane |
| VR([illegible]) | Carrier |
| VS Antisubmarine | Submarine search and attack |
| VS([illegible]) | Search and attack |
| VS([illegible]) | Attack |
| VS([illegible]) | Search |
| VT Training | Basic, fleet and [illegible] training |
| VT(Jet) | Jet |
| VT(ME) | Multi-engine propeller |
| VT(SE) | Single engine propeller |
| VT(E) | Electronics |
| VT(Nav) | Navigation |
| VU Utility | Fleet utility support |
| VU(Gen) | General |
| VU(SAR) | Search and rescue |
| VU(Tow) | Tow |
| VW Warning | Airborne Early Warning |
| VW | Air early warning |

Between 1955 and 1962 there were only some changes at the class and a few notable dates in the sub classes. The [illegible] class for in-flight refueling tanker was added in 1956. In 1956 the letter V for the heavier-than-air fixed wing type was still identified as V, however it was omitted from the symbol for the class designation. The class designations for the heavier-than-air fixed wing type and their class missions were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| A | Attack |
| F | Fighter |
| | In-flight refueling tanker |
| | [illegible] |
| P | Patrol |
| R | Transport |
| S | Antisubmarine (for carrier-based aircraft) |
| | Training |
| | Utility |
| W | Airborne Early Warning |

In 1962 a major change occurred in the mission designation for naval aircraft. The Department of Defense consolidated the aircraft designation systems of the Navy, Army and Air Force into one DOD (Department of Defense) system. This new system standardized designation, redesignated and renamed military aircraft. Under the new system the letter V for heavier-than-air fixed wing type was dropped completely and a single letter was used to identify the basic mission of the vehicle. The basic mission designations for aircraft were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| A Attack | Aircraft designed to search out, attack and destroy enemy land or sea targets using conventional or special weapons. Also used for interdiction and close air support missions. |
| B Bomber | Aircraft designed for bombing enemy targets. |
| C Cargo/transport | Aircraft designed for carrying cargo and/or passengers. |

[illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F Fighter | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] plane, e.g. horizontal, vertical, or diagonal. |
| [illegible] | [illegible] in-flight [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | A self-propelled lighter-than-air aircraft. |

[illegible] symbols in DOD's *Model Designation of Military* [illegible] craft designed to per[illegible]

Even though a [illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| VA-LP | Light Attack (Prop) |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| VA-Q | [illegible] |
| VA-QM | Tactical ECM |
| VA-QMP | Tactical ECM (Prop) |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| VT-AJ | Advanced jet trainer |
| VT-BJ | Basic jet trainer |

| | |
|---|---|
| T-SJ | Special jet trainer |
| T-AP | Advanced (prop) trainer |
| T-BP | Basic (prop) trainer |
| T-PP | Primary (prop) trainer |
| T-SP | Special (Prop) trainer |

D. Drone

| | |
|---|---|
| D-[illegible] | Drone control |

The only change to this listing occurred in 1983 with the addition of the [illegible] for [illegible]. Between [illegible] and 1988 there were no changes to the aircraft class listing in the Allowances and Location of [illegible] there were a number of changes in the listing for the sub-classes. The final publication of the Allowances and Location of Navy Aircraft was March 1988.

In [illegible] late 1975 the [illegible] selected [illegible] designated the [illegible] as the name of the Navy's [illegible] for a new multimission fighter attack aircraft. The [illegible] aircraft was designed to replace [illegible] in the [illegible] the F-4 Phantom II and the A-7 Corsair II. The program was a consolidation of [illegible] Whereby multimission requirements for attack and fighter be incorporated into a single aircraft. Fighter and light attack missions had previously been assigned to [illegible] types of aircraft, particularly in the period prior to World War II and also in the 1950s. The [illegible] was now [illegible] old [illegible] and designing a plane with a dual capacity as a fighter and an attack aircraft to meet new multimission requirements.

The VFAX aircraft was initially assigned the F-18A designation. [illegible] the designation F/A [illegible] fighter was established and assigned to the aircraft in the late 1970s. The Navy accepted its first F/A-18 Hornet on 16 January 1979. The F/A designation [illegible] listed under the "F" [illegible] in the Navy's Allowances and Location of Naval Aircraft under the "F" mode designation. The F/A-18 designation is listed under [illegible] designations as [illegible] F-18.

## The 1990s

The following is a list of the [illegible] classes and sub-classes used in the 1990s.

VF Fighter

| | |
|---|---|
| VF-FA | Strike Fighter |
| VF-FB | Fighter |
| VF-F | Fighter |

VA Attack

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Attack |
| [illegible] | Attack |
| [illegible] | Attack |
| [illegible] | Attack |
| VAQ | Attack |
| VAQ-[illegible] | Attack |

VS Antisubmarine

VP Patrol

| | |
|---|---|
| VP-[illegible] | Patrol |

VW Warning

| | |
|---|---|
| VW-[illegible] | Warning |
| VW-[illegible] | Warning |

VR Transport

| | |
|---|---|
| VR | Transport |
| VR-[illegible] | Transport |
| VR | Transport |
| VR-[illegible] | Transport |

Inflight Refueling

[illegible] Observation

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Observation |

[illegible] Utility

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Utility |
| [illegible] | Utility |

VT Training

| | |
|---|---|
| VT-AJ | Training Jet |
| SJ | Training Jet |
| PP | Training Prop |
| SP | Training Prop |
| SJ | Training [illegible] |

Rotary Wing

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |
| [illegible] | Rotary Wing |

D Drones

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Drones |
| [illegible] | Drones Jet |

The [illegible] chronological [illegible] of the aircraft designation system.

## Squadron Designation System

THE SQUADRON DESIGNATION SYSTEM [illegible] the first units after World War I. During the period [illegible] and World War II [illegible] of aviation [illegible] were [illegible] aligned with [illegible] commands. The majority of [illegible] operations were conducted [illegible] assigned to [illegible] stations. [illegible] patrol [illegible] the close of World War II [illegible]

[illegible]

On 3 February 1919, Captain G. W. Steel [illegible]

[illegible] of the Navy issued two General Orders that placed an [illegible]

## Early Period of Naval Aviation up to 1920

[illegible]

## The Early 1920s

[illegible]

[illegible] 54 The Annual Report of the Chief of [illegible]au of Aeronautics for Fiscal Year 1922 [illegible]

[illegible] 1 January 1922. The different types of squadrons listed [illegible]

Torpedo Plane Squadron
Kite Balloon Squadron 1

[illegible]

Spotting Squadrons 4, 5, and 6
Combat Squadrons 4, 5, and 6 (Scouting Squad [illegible]

[illegible] Squadron 1 [illegible]

Annual Report of the Chief [illegible]
Fiscal Year 1922, Washington [illegible]

[illegible]

Fighting Plane Squadron 2 (VF Squadron 2)

[illegible]

## The mid to late 1920s

With the introduction of new types of planes in ser- [illegible] class designations, squadron identification numbers and assignment letters.

[illegible] class designations [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] class designations, squadron identification number and assignment letter [illegible]

[illegible] Battle Fleet [illegible]

[illegible] Fleet [illegible]

[illegible] follows: [illegible]

[illegible]

West Indian Aerial Survey [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

The January 1929 fleet organization listing also [illegible]

[illegible] Designation of Naval Airplanes for January 1929. Our [illegible]

April [illegible] VH-1 was the first squadron established as [illegible]

## The 1930s

On 5 May 1930, an update to the system for [illegible] became effective [illegible] July [illegible] General Order 202 was [illegible]

[illegible] issued 9 March 1937 and effective [illegible] July 1937 simply [illegible]

Fighting (VF)
Observation (VO)
[illegible]
Utility (VJ)
[illegible]

[illegible] letter designation [illegible] following assignments by listing [illegible]

[illegible] on July 1937 included all of the same designations [illegible] Status of Naval Aircraft for July [illegible]

| VT-6 | VT-3 | VT-8 | VB-16 | VB-17 | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| VJ-4D5<br>VJ-5D1 | VN-1D8 | VN-2D8 | VN-3D8 | VN-4D8 | VN-5D8 |

[illegible] squadron designat[illegible]

[illegible] in their paragraph 7 of it [illegible]

[illegible] tems. In July 1939, a modification was made to the [illegible] Designation System that was set up in July [illegible]

## World War II

[illegible] new system was issued in January 1943 and became [illegible]

Patrol squadrons continued into the three-digit series.

Other squadron designation changes effective 1 March 1943 included:

Scouting (patrol) squadron redesignated VS, scouting squadron.

Escort fighting squadrons (VGF) became fighting squadrons (VF).

Escort scouting squadrons (VGS) redesignated composite squadrons.

Patrol squadrons operating land-based aircraft became bombing squadrons (VB) with three-digit numbers. This separated them from the bombing squadrons (VB) that were carrier based and used two-digit numbers.

Squadron designations in existence on 1 March 1943 were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| VF | Fighting Squadrons |
| VB | Bombing Squadrons (carrier-based) |
| VB | Bombing Squadrons (Patrol squadrons flying land-based aircraft) |
| VT | Torpedo Squadrons |
| VC | Composite Squadrons |
| VP | Patrol Squadrons |
| VS | Scouting Squadrons (included carrier and land-based) |
| ZP | Blimp Squadrons |
| VJ | Utility Squadrons |
| VR | Transport Squadrons |
| VD | Photographic Squadrons |
| VO | Observation Squadrons |
| VCS | Cruiser Scouting Squadrons |

Numerous modifications were made to the Squadron Designation System during the remainder of the war. On 1 October 1944 patrol squadrons (VP) and multiengine land-based bombing squadrons (VB) were redesignated patrol bombing squadrons (VPB). Additional new squadron designations in the Squadron Designation System during the latter part of World War II included:

| | |
|---|---|
| VBF | Bombing Fighting Squadrons |
| VFN | Night Fighter Squadrons |
| VTN | Night Torpedo Squadrons |
| VOF | Observation Fighter Squadrons |
| VOC | Composite Spotting Squadrons |
| VE | Evacuation Squadrons |
| VH | Rescue Squadrons |
| VK | Special Air Task Force Squadrons |
| ZJ | Blimp Utility Squadron |
| VRE | Air Transport Evacuation Squadron |
| VRJ | Utility Transport Squadron |
| VRF | Ferry Transport Squadrons |
| VRS | Service Transport Squadrons |
| [illegible]S | Air Spotting Squadron |

## *Post World War II and the late 1940s*

The CNO letter implementing the change in the use of class designations [illegible] letter number. With the end of the war, a major revision to the system of designations [illegible] all squadrons [illegible] 1946. Section [illegible] of the letter established a new System of Squadron Designations to be effective [illegible] September 1946. The instructions of the letter were issued as Navy Department Bulletin 46-1549 of 15 July 1946, however an All Navy Bulletin [illegible] postponed the effective date of the new series of letter [illegible] the redesignation of [illegible] squadrons covered by the CNO letter became effective on 15 November 1946 in accordance with Navy Department Bulletin 46-[illegible]. The new squadron designations [illegible] introduced the designation VA for attack squadrons. This was the first use of the designation VA for attack squadrons. Squadron designations in effect at the end of the 15 November 1946 change were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| VF | Fighting Squadrons |
| VA | Attack Squadrons |
| VC | Composite Squadrons |
| VP-HL | Heavy Patrol Squadron (Landplane) |
| VP-ML | Medium Patrol Squadrons (Landplane) |
| VP-MS | Medium Patrol Squadrons (Seaplane) |
| VP-AM | Amphibian Patrol Squadron |
| VPM | Meteorological Squadron |
| ZP | Blimp Squadrons |
| VR | Transport Squadron |
| VRU | Transport Utility Squadron |
| VRF | Transport Ferry and Service Squadron |
| VX | Experimental and Development Squadrons |
| VO | Observation Squadron |
| VU | Utility Squadrons |
| VPP | Photographic Squadrons |
| | Training Squadron |

With the establishment of attack squadrons many of the old VB and VT squadrons were redesignated VA squadrons. The following is a list of [illegible] VB squadrons redesignated as attack squadrons on 15 November 1946:

VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]

VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]

VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]

VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

VT-4 redesignated VA-2A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]B
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]B
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]B
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]B
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-5A
VB-17 redesignated VA-5B
VT-5 redesignated VA-6A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-6B
VB-18 redesignated VA-7A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-8A
VB-20 redesignated VA-9A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-10A
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-16A
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]A
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-18A
VB-19 redesignated VA-19A
VT-19 redesignated VA-20A
VB-[illegible] redesignated VA-[illegible]
VT-[illegible] redesignated VA-22A

The suffix letter [illegible] added to the above designations identified the squadron's assignment to a [illegible] air group and it was assigned to a Battle Carrier or Attack Carrier. The [illegible] suffix was for [illegible] assignments and the [illegible] for Battle Carrier. [illegible] December 1946 [illegible] attack designation [illegible]. The development of a [illegible] to [illegible] the missions and functions of the [illegible] and the consolidation of these missions into attack squadrons [illegible] squadrons basically obsolete.

The [illegible] change to the Squadron Designation System [illegible] September 1948. The [illegible] squadrons were assigned a three digit number [illegible] number was the same as the parent air group number. The [illegible] letter [illegible] disappeared. For example [illegible] dropped the [illegible] letter at the end of the designation. Patrol squadrons [illegible] designation instead of using the [illegible] designations of [illegible]. Special designations for [illegible] squadrons such as [illegible] the new [illegible] squadron [illegible] early warning mission [illegible] of the September 1948 change to the Squadron Designation System the following squadron designations were in [illegible] system:

| | |
|---|---|
| VF | Fighter Squadrons |
| VA | Attack Squadrons |
| | Composite Squadrons |
| VP | Patrol Squadrons |
| ZP | Blimp Squadrons |
| | Utility Squadrons |
| VR | Transport Squadrons |
| VX | Experimental and Developmental Squadrons |
| | Observation Squadrons |
| HU | Helicopter Squadrons |
| VW | Airborne Early Warning Squadrons |

Numerous modifications have been made to the Squadron Designation System issued in September 1948, however, the changes have been made on a case by case basis. The Navy has not issued a major directive to change the Squadron Designation System since 1948.

## The 1950s, 1960s, 1970s and 1980s

[illegible] VA designations [illegible]. Various modifications to the VA squadron designation [illegible] VA squadron designations included [illegible] VA squadron designations. The [illegible] designation was established in the mid-1950s to identify heavy attack squadrons which also had [illegible] composite squadrons. [illegible] The [illegible] designation was also established in the mid-1950s [illegible] squadrons [illegible]. The Navy's light attack squadron designation was [illegible] during the [illegible] and [illegible] established [illegible] of the new patrol [illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] squadrons.

Numerous other derivatives of the VA squadron designation were established, including [illegible]. [illegible] the primary mission of these squadrons [illegible] attack [illegible] the use of the [illegible] squadron designations [illegible] the squadrons [illegible].

The most recent modification to the VA squadron designation is the VFA designation. The evolution of the [illegible] attack [illegible] squadron designation [illegible] and squadron [illegible] evolved in the past as well as the addition of certain economic and political aspects. The following are some of the factors that played a role in the creation of the VFA designation:

- increased costs associated with procuring the sophisticated aircraft of [illegible];
- Congressional emphasis on achieving greater commonality between Navy and Air Force aircraft, particularly with regard to adopting a derivative of the Air Force's Air Combat Fighter, which evolved from a competitive fly-off between the YF-16 and YF-17 in the early 1970s;
- the Navy's need for aircraft with new performance capabilities and weapons systems to counter the progressively more sophisticated Soviet aircraft;
- the Navy's need for an aircraft to replace its aging and outdated attack aircraft and maintain superiority at the fleet level;
- a need to provide a multipurpose aircraft capable of performing fighter, attack and support roles, thereby reducing the different types of aircraft required to be supported by the Navy, especially for those assigned to the carriers.

[illegible] the Navy's first fighter attack squadron using the VFA designation was established (VFA-125). The squadron was established with the mission of training fighter and attack pilots to fly the F/A-18 Hornet. [illegible] VFA designated squadrons were changed from fighter attack to strike fighter squadrons, but the VFA designation remained the same.

The similarities between the Squadron Designation System and the Naval Aircraft Designation System can be seen by making a brief comparison between the two systems as they currently exist. The following is a listing of the current squadron designations:

| | |
|---|---|
| VF | Fighter Squadron |
| VA | Attack Squadron |
| VFA | Strike Fighter Squadron |
| VAW | Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron |
| VS | Sea Control Squadron |
| HS | Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron |
| HC | Helicopter Combat Support Squadron |
| HSL | Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Light |
| HM | Helicopter Mine Countermeasures Squadron |
| VP | Patrol Squadron |
| VR | Fleet Logistics Squadron |
| VRC | Fleet Logistics Support Squadron |
| VC | Fleet Composite Squadron |
| VQ | Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron |
| VX | Air Test and Evaluation Squadron |
| VXE | Antarctic Development Squadron |
| VXN | Oceanographic Development Squadron |
| VAQ | Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron |
| VPU | Patrol Squadron Special Projects Unit |
| VFC | Fighter Squadron Composite |
| VT | Training Squadron |
| HT | Helicopter Training Squadron |
| HCS | Helicopter Combat Support Special Squadron |

The basic mission symbols for military aircraft, as listed in the DoD Model Designation of Military Aerospace Vehicles for 1990, are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| A | Attack |
| B | Bomber (not used by the Navy) |
| C | Transport |
| E | Special Electronic Installation |
| F | Fighter |
| | Search/Rescue |
| P | Patrol |
| R | Reconnaissance |
| S | Antisubmarine |
| | Trainer |
| | Utility |
| X | Research |

In the Navy's [illegible] of the different [illegible] squadron [illegible] the aircraft class [illegible]:

| | |
|---|---|
| VF | Fighter |
| VA | Attack |
| VS | Antisubmarine |
| VP | Patrol |
| VAW | Early Warning |
| VR | Transport |
| VG | In-flight refueling |
| | Search/Rescue |
| | Utility |
| VT | Trainer |
| VU | Drone |
| | Rotary Wing |

The interplay between the two systems is evident from the examples just presented. The Bureau of Aeronautics' regulations for [illegible] 1922 established the precedent for the corresponding relationship between aircraft class designations and the letter designations used for aircraft squadrons and their missions. From that point on, a parallel relationship can be drawn between the Squadron Designation System and the Aircraft Class Designation System. This concept was continued and is still seen in the present squadron designations. Although numerous changes have occurred with both the aircraft class and squadron designations since 1922, [illegible]

Modifications to these two systems have been and are constantly being made to keep pace with the advances in aircraft technology and changes in mission requirements, [illegible] the squadron [illegible]. There have always been exceptions to the rule in the association between the two systems. Special aircraft [illegible] designations [illegible] existed for some time without having a [illegible] squadron designation [illegible]. The reverse, however, is [illegible] [illegible] designations [illegible] has [illegible] [illegible] been associated with similar squadron designations since 19[illegible].

The use of [illegible] designations in the Aircraft Class Designation System and the Squadron Designation System leaves no doubt about the parallel connection between the two systems. It was only logical that when new types of aircraft with advanced operating capabilities and new weapon systems were introduced there would be a close relationship [illegible] between [illegible] new type of squadron. The [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to be the [illegible] relationship [illegible] [illegible] aircraft [illegible] new squadron designations.

[illegible] the trend toward multimission [illegible] aircraft continues, the size of twelve [illegible] aircraft operating from the deck of a carrier could be reduced to only four different planes [illegible]. The trend [illegible] should [illegible] toward the use of a common aircraft that may be designed to perform a wide variety of missions [illegible] the addition of special external pods [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. The AD [illegible] Skyraider is an example of the use of a common airframe that was modified to perform a variety of missions other than the primary one it had been designed to fulfill. The Navy's Squadron Designation System and Aircraft Designation System will undoubtedly continue to undergo other changes [illegible] the future to keep pace with changing defense requirements.

CHAPTER 2

# Attack Squadron Histories (VA)

## VA-1E to VA-873

## VA-1E

### Lineage

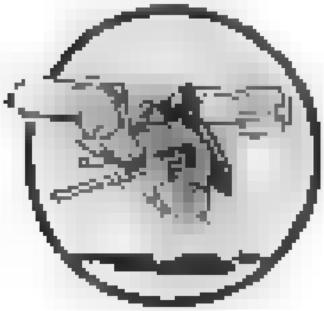
Established as Torpedo Squadron [illegible] on [illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-1E) on [illegible] November 1946.

Disestablished on [illegible] September 1948. The first and only squadron to be designated VA-[illegible]E.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]



[illegible]

[illegible]

Nickname: unknown.

### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Seattle | [illegible] |
| NAS Pasco | [illegible] |
| NAS Seattle | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBF-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBF-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

# VA-1L

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron [illegible] (VT-[illegible]) on [illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-1L) on 15 November [illegible].

Disestablished on 30 November [illegible]. The first squadron to be designated VA-1L.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] VT-58

[illegible] The insignia [illegible] the squadron [illegible] [illegible] were [illegible] black [illegible] black with white markings [illegible] light blue [illegible] and the [illegible] dark blue [illegible] and black [illegible]

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Mar 1946: The squadron's mission when established was [illegible] the Operational Development Force, United States Fleet (COMOPDEVFOR) [illegible] and methods for use by the fleet [illegible] the squadron operated [illegible] aircraft, the [illegible] and TBM [illegible] and night [illegible]

[illegible] Dec 1946: The squadron [illegible] were [illegible] the SB2C and TBM.

[illegible] Mar 1947: When the squadron received the TBM-3W aircraft it became the first squadron [illegible] to employ and operate the carrier early warning (AEW) TBM.

[illegible] Apr [illegible] Mar 1947: The squadron [illegible] during the shakedown cruise of the [illegible]

Feb 1948: Squadron [illegible] during [illegible] the [illegible] President [illegible]

30 Nov 1948: When [illegible] elements of the squadron [illegible] and [illegible] development [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1946 |
| NAS Atlantic City | [illegible] Jun 1946 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR John W. [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1946 |
| LCDR Lawrence C. [illegible] | Jun 1948 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Mar 1946 |
| TBM-3E | Mar 1946 |
| TBM-3 [illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-3W | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1948 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1948 |

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### *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### *Air Wing Assignments*

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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# VA-12

## Lineage

[illegible] May 1945

Redesignated Fighter Squadron TWO A (VF [illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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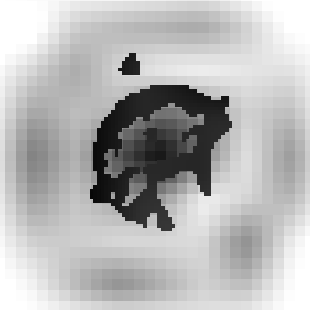

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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### Home Port Assignment

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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | 24 Mar 1951 |
| NAS Jacksonville | 07 Oct 1952 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

[illegible]

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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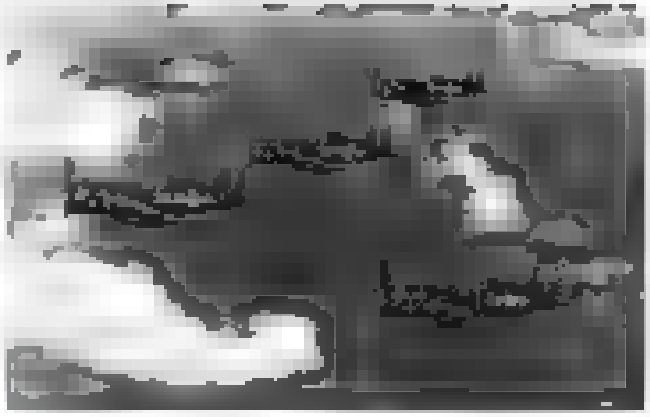

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AB | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AB | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
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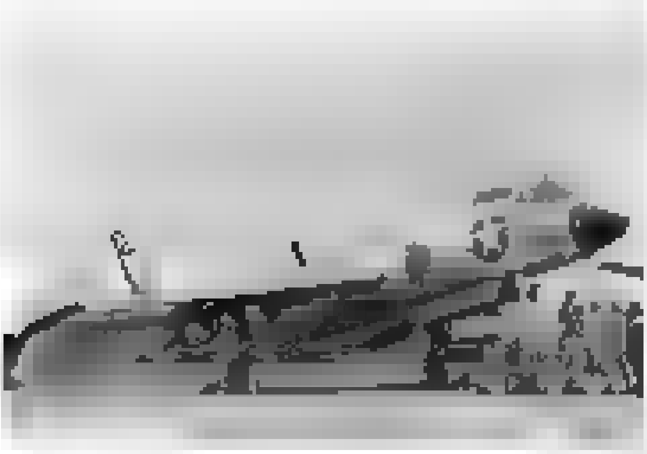

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### Unit Awards Received

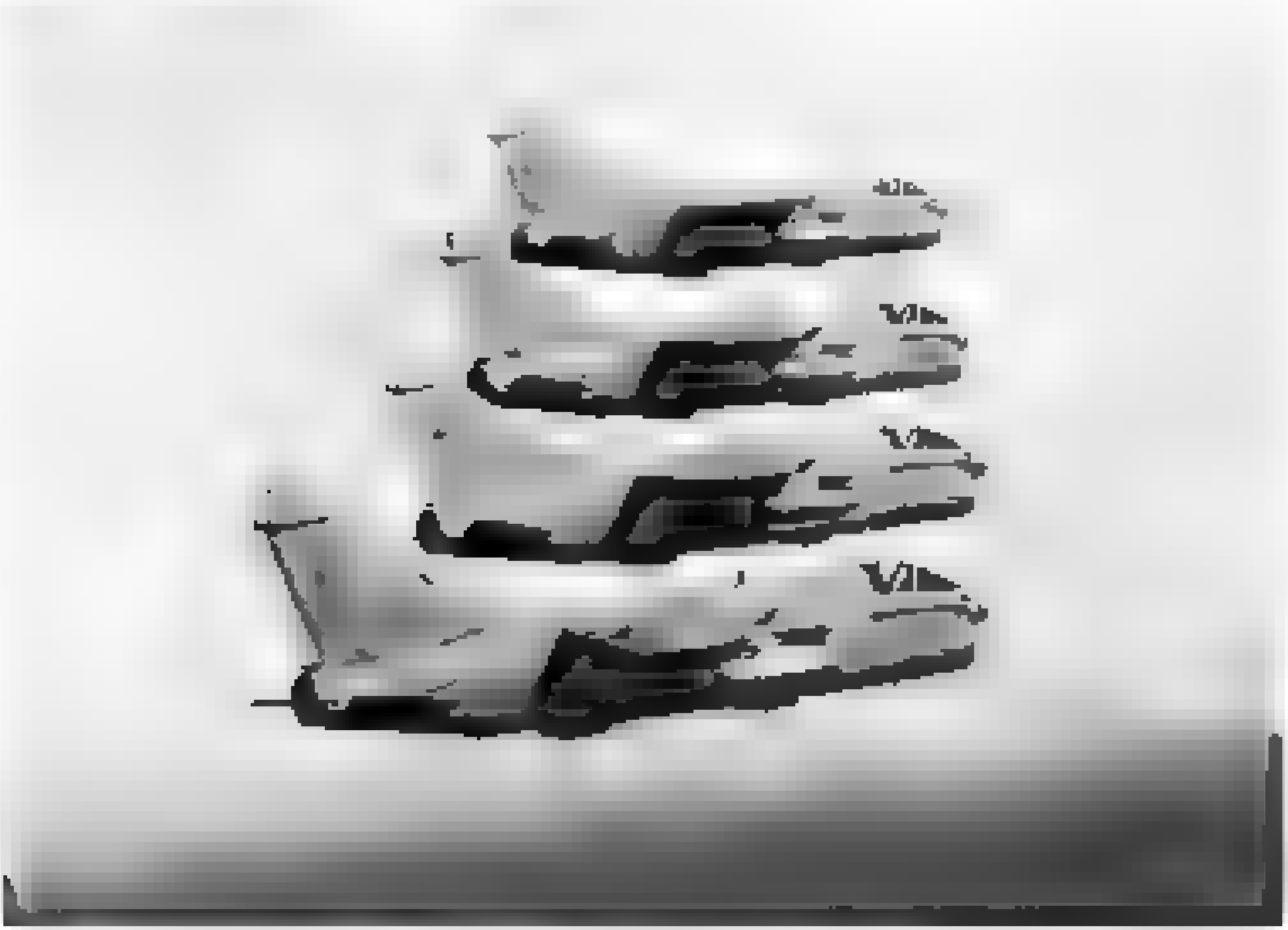
| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | 29 Apr 1968 | 11 [illegible] 1968 |
| | Jan 1969 | [illegible] Nov 1969 |
| NSM | Jan 1969 | |
| | [illegible] Aug 1969 | [illegible] Sep 1969 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | Nov 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | 31 [illegible] 1969 | Jan 1970 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Mar 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Mar 1970 |
| | Jun 1970 | Jul 1970 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1970 | [illegible] Aug 1970 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1970 | 30 Sep 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Nov 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 | |



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# VA-15

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron FOUR (VT-4) on 10 January 1942.

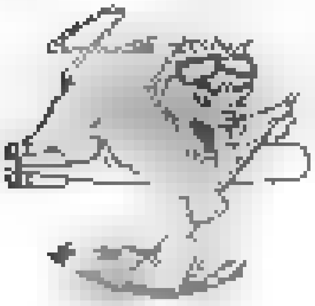
Redesignated Attack Squadron TWO A (VA-2A) on 15 November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron FIFTEEN (VA-15) on 2 August 1948.

Disestablished on 1 June 1969. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-15 designation.

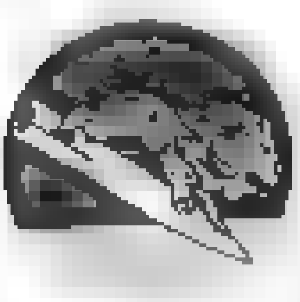
## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] April 1943. The theme of the insignia was [illegible] the teeth. The [illegible] represented the squadron's TBF [illegible] and [illegible] teeth were the [illegible]. Colors of the insignia were as follows: [illegible] the sea a deep blue with pale [illegible] markings; [illegible] with black outline and markings; [illegible] outlined in black; [illegible] white [illegible] with black pupils, nose black, teeth white and mouth red, and the [illegible] yellow outlined in black with red [illegible] on lower part of torpedo.



The squadron's [illegible] insignia was approved [illegible] 1943.

There is no record of VA-2A changing the insignia following its redesignation from VT-4. [illegible] after the squadron was redesignated VA-15 it requested a modification to its insignia. The insignia [illegible] on [illegible] September 19[illegible] approved the modification. The torpedo was retained to reflect the strong attack capabilities of the squadron and the torpedo [illegible]. The background [illegible] of the insignia was red to represent the flames of the targets and the lower half was blue to symbolize water and the squadron's sea-based capabilities. Other insignia colors included white [illegible] gold with black markings and the missile [illegible]. The insignia remained with the squadron until it was disestablished in 1969.

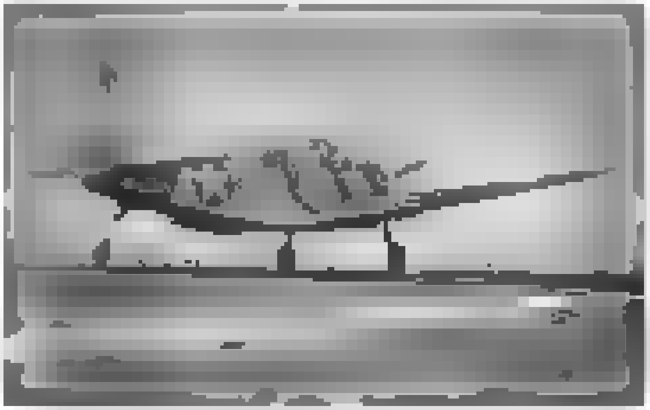


[illegible] squadron's [illegible] insignia was approved [illegible].

Nickname: Valions, 1956–1969.

## Chronology of Significant Events

10 Jan 1942: Torpedo Squadron FOUR (VT-4) was established aboard *Ranger* (CV 4) while the ship was in port [illegible] Bermuda.



Squadron TBF [illegible] *Ranger* [illegible]

28 Aug 1943: *Ranger* with VT-4 aboard, met [illegible] with the liner *Queen Mary*, which was carrying Winston Churchill to North America for the Quebec Conference.

Aug–Nov 1943: The carrier *Ranger* [illegible] as part of the British Home Fleet.

4 Oct 1943: The squadron participated in Operation Leader, strikes against shipping targets around Bodø, Norway. [illegible] strike elements [illegible] targets at Bodø [illegible]. The squadron's TBF [illegible] Avengers, along with [illegible] F4F Wildcats [illegible] a German freighter and a small tanker and damaged a troop transport.

Squadron TBF [illegible] torpedo [illegible]

[illegible] Nov 1943: The [illegible] from *Ranger* operated with the British Second Battle Squadron and patrolled the waters of the [illegible].

1 Mar 1944: [illegible] changes in [illegible] air group with a complement that was designed to include 36 fighters (Grumman F6F), [illegible] dive bombers (SB2C) and 18 torpedo planes (TBF/TBM). This air group

[illegible]

Japanese in the P[illegible]

[illegible]

completing the squadron's last combat cruise during [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] VA-5's training syllabus emphasized glide

[illegible] pated in the first NATO naval [illegible] Mainbrace, conducted in the [illegible]

Feb 1955: While deployed aboard *Midway* (CVA [illegible]

by the People's Republic of China.

Nov–Dec 1956: As a result of the Suez C[illegible]

[illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Quonset Point | Apr 1945 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAAS Wildwood | [illegible] 1945 |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] Jul 1945 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | 09 Jan 1950 |

## *Home Port Assignments—Continued*

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | Aug [illegible] |

[illegible]

## *Commanding Officers*

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] Wallace [illegible] Sherrill | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] John W. [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Paul [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] John E. [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |

## *Commanding Officers—Continued*

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
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| [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] William [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] William [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |

## *Aircraft Assignment*

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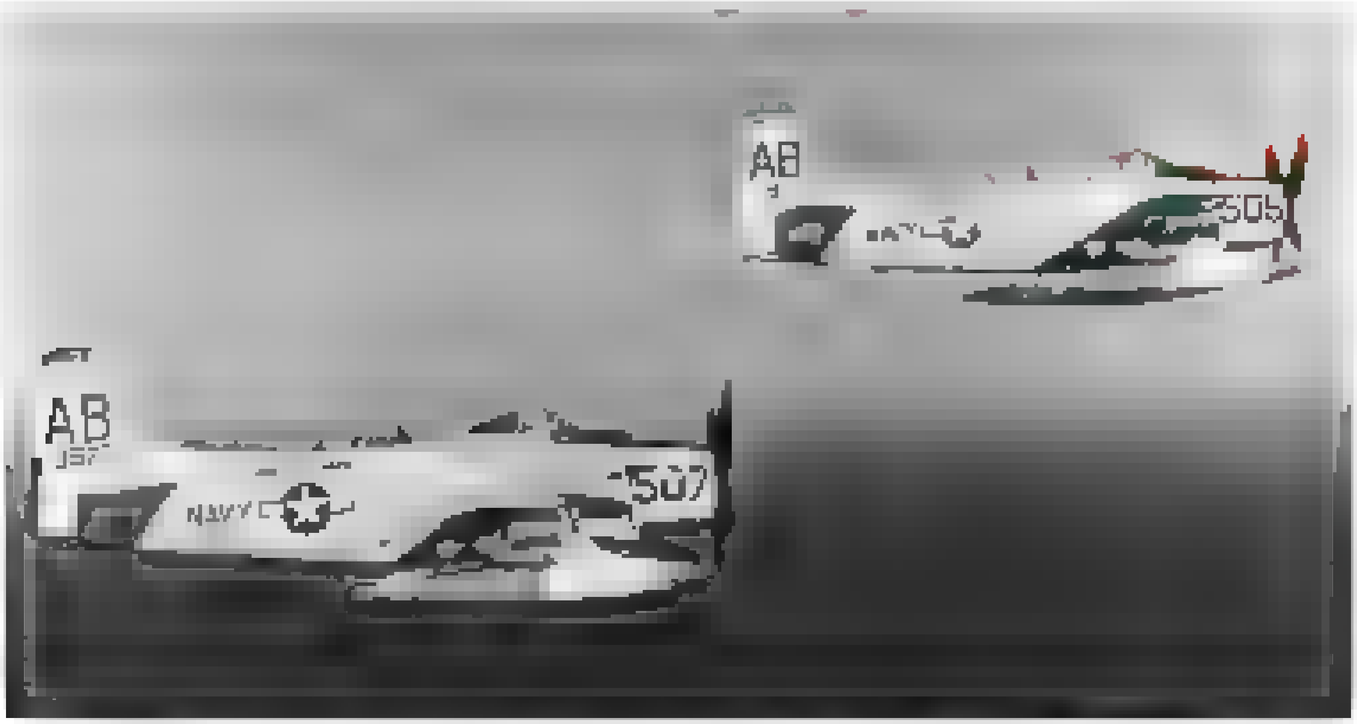

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## *Major Overseas Deployment*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 Jan 1942 | 19 Mar 1942 | *Ranger* Air Group | CV 4 | TBD | Bermuda |
| 03 Jun 1942 | 23 Jun 1942 | *Ranger* Air Group | CV 4 | TBD | Newfoundland |
| 16 Jan 1943 | 30 Jan 1943 | * | CV 4 | TBF-1 | Morocco |
| [illegible] Feb 1943 | [illegible] Mar 1943 | | | TBF | [illegible] |
| 2[illegible] Mar 1943 | 27 Jul 1943 | CVG-4 | CV 4 | TBF | Newfoundland |
| 05 Aug 1943 | [illegible] Dec 1943 | CVG-4 | CV 4 | TBF | Scotland/<br>Norwegian Sea |
| [illegible] Nov 1944 | [illegible] Nov 1944 | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-1 | Philippines |
| [illegible] Nov 1944 | [illegible] Dec 1944 | [illegible] | [illegible] 9 | TBM | Philippines |
| [illegible] Dec 1944 | [illegible] Dec 1944 | [illegible] | [illegible] 9 | TBM | Philippines |
| 30 Dec 1944 | 26 Jan 1945 | CVG-4 | CV 9 | TBM | South China Sea/<br>Philippines/<br>Formosa/[illegible] |
| 10 Feb 1945 | 04 Mar 1945 | CVG-4 | CV 9 | TBM-3 | Japan/Iwo Jima/<br>Okinawa |
| 2[illegible] Jun 1946 | 5 Jul 1946 | CVG-4 | CV 40 | TBM-3E/Q | Trinidad/<br>West Indies/<br>Panama Canal |
| [illegible] 1946 | [illegible] 1947 | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1948 | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Dec 1954 | 4 Jul 1955 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 41 | AD-6 | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Nov 1956 | [illegible] Dec 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] 59 | AD-6 | [illegible] |
| 15 Jan 1957 | 22 Jul 1957 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 59 | AD-6 | Med |
| 16 Aug 1957 | 2[illegible] Oct 1957 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 59 | AD-6 | NorLant |
| [illegible] Feb 1959 | 0[illegible] Sep 1959 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 42 | AD-6 | Med |
| 28 Jan 1960 | 24 Aug 1960 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 42 | AD-6 | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1960 | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Carib |
| [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | 28 Aug 196[illegible] | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 42 | AD-6 | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Carib |
| [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | 22 Apr 1963 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 42 | AD-6 | Med |
| 28 Apr 1964 | 22 Dec 1964 | CVW-1 | CVA 42 | A-1H | Med |
| 04 Apr 1966 | 2[illegible] Nov 1966 | CVW-10 | CVS | A-4B | Med/IO/WestPac<br>[illegible] |
| [illegible] Mar 1967 | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible]/WestPac<br>[illegible] |
| [illegible] Jul 1968 | 29 Apr 1969 | CVW-17 | CVA 59 | A-4C | Med |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| Ranger Air Group |  T† | 10 Jan 1942 |
| CVG-4/CVAG-4/CVG-1* | | |
| CVG-13 | P | 23 Sep 1948 |
| CVG-1/CVW-1 | T/AB‡ | 25 Feb 1949 |
| [illegible] | | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AK | Jan 1966 |
| [illegible] | AA | 16 Jan 1968 |

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* [illegible]

† This tail code assignment was used beginning in 1946.

‡ Carrier Air Group [illegible] tail code was changed from T to AB in the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 1955 | |
| | 03 Jul 196[illegible] | 30 Jun 196[illegible] |
| | 03 Jul 1961 | 30 Jun 196[illegible] |
| NUC | 12 Jun 1967 | 08 [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| RVNGC | 01 Mar 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | Jun [illegible] | Jul 196[illegible] |
| | 29 Jul 1967 | 2[illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| | 14 Sep 1967 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] | Nov 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1966 | 5 Jun 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | 11 Aug 1966 |
| | 03 Sep 1966 | [illegible] Sep 1966 |
| | 02 Oct 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | Jun 1967 | Jul 196[illegible] |
| | 29 Jul 1967 | 2[illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
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| | 3[illegible] Oct 1967 | Nov 1967 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Campaign Medal | | |
| European | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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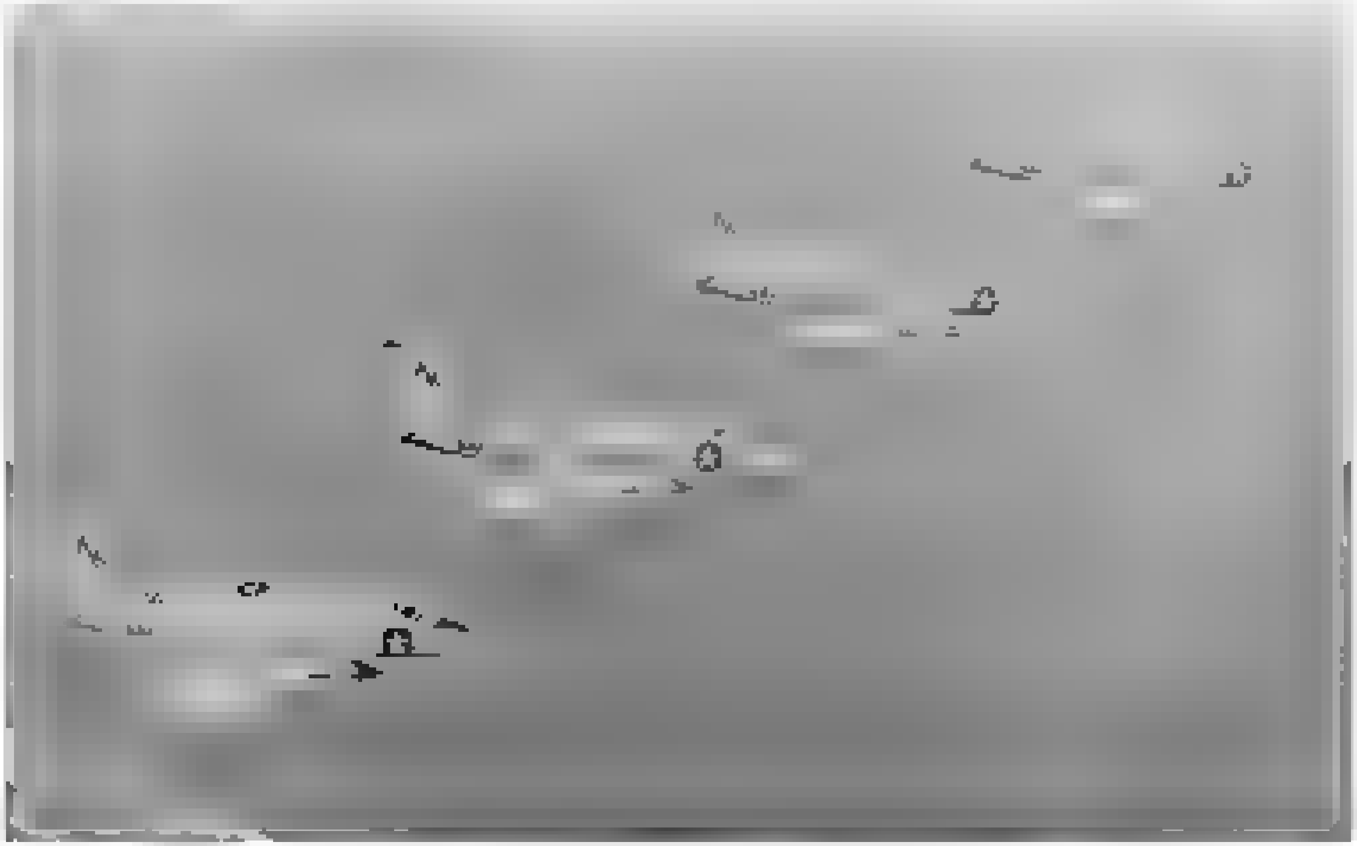

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# VA-16

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron SIXTEEN (VA-16) on 1 June 1955.

Disestablished on [illegible] 1958. The first and sole squadron to be designated VA-16.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] insignia was approved by [illegible] 1956. The squadron's design [illegible] a black knight [illegible] The [illegible] was divided into four fields [illegible] and [illegible] the insignia [illegible] nickname unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**1 Jun 1955:** The squadron was established with a mission of all-weather attack, including special [illegible] weapons delivery.

**Apr 1957:** [illegible] deployment to the Mediterranean aboard [illegible] operated [illegible] the [illegible] during the [illegible]

**18 Dec 1957:** [illegible] the first [illegible] using the [illegible] The refueling took place [illegible] and the squadron [illegible] refueled an [illegible]

**9 Jan 1958:** The squadron [illegible] the first [illegible] in-flight refueling while operating from *Ranger* [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | 1 Jun 1955 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Bartholomew [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] Aug 1955 |
| LCDR Richard [illegible] Walls | [illegible] Jul 1957 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AJ-[illegible] | [illegible] 1955 |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1957 | [illegible] Jul 1957 | ATG-181 | [illegible] | AJ-[illegible] | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| ATG-181 | [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1955 |

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

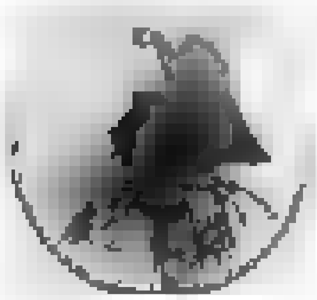
# VA-21A

## Lineage

Established as Bombing Squadron NINETY EIGHT (VB-98) on 28 August 1943.

Redesignated Attack Squadron TWENTY ONE A (VA-21A) on 15 November 1946.

Disestablished on 5 August 1947. The first and only squadron to be designated VA-21A.



[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There is no record of an approved insignia for VB-98 [illegible] insignia [illegible] squadron [illegible] did not indicate the colors used in the insignia.

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**28 Aug 1943:** VB-98 was established with the mission of [illegible] trained [illegible] pilots and aircrewmen for assignment to fleet squadrons operating in the Pacific. The training included carrier landing qualifications, gunnery, bombing and night flying. When VB-98 was redesignated VA-21A, the mission remained the same.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAAS [illegible] | 28 Aug 1943 |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 1944 |
| NAS San Diego | 10 Aug 1946 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1943 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1944 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1945 |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jul 1946 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| SB2C-1 | Sep 1943 |
| [illegible] | Sep 1943 |
| SB2C | [illegible] 1944 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1944 |
| [illegible] | Nov 1944 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1945 |
| SB2C-4E | Mar 1945 |
| SB2C-5 | Apr 1945 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 28 Aug 1943 |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

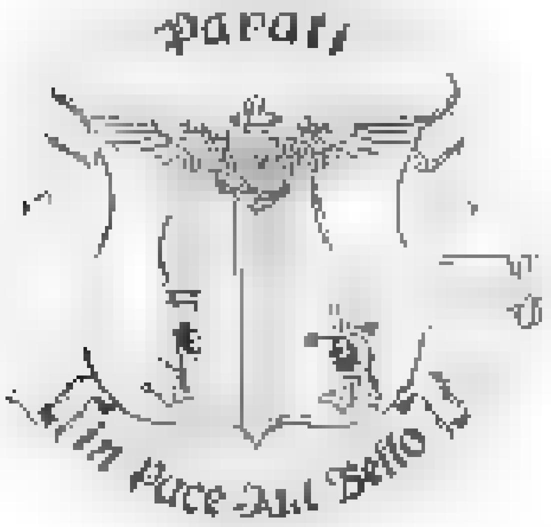
# VA-22A

### Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron TWENTY EIGHT (VT-28) on [illegible] August 1943.

Redesignated Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO A (VA-22A) on 15 November 1946.

Disestablished on [illegible] August 1947. The first and only squadron to be designated VA-22A.



[illegible]

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There is [illegible] date for VT-28's insignia. The motto of the squadron was "Paratus in Pace Aut Bello" (Prepared in Peace or War). [illegible] of the insignia were: [illegible] banner white with red lettering; [illegible] blue, red, yellow, [illegible] white [illegible] blue, yellow and gold for the [illegible] torpedo.

There is no record of an approved insignia for VA-22A.

Nickname: unknown.

### Chronology of Significant Events

28 Aug 1943: VT-28 was established with the mission of [illegible] trained torpedo plane pilots and aircrewmen for assignment as replacements to squadrons operating in the Pacific.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | 28 Aug 1943 |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | 15 Aug 1946 |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Tom St. Bush | 28 Aug 1943 |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 1945 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1945 |
| LCDR [illegible] | 25 Jul 1946 |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBF-1 | Aug 1943 |
| TBM-1 | Aug 1943 |
| TBM-1C | [illegible] 1944 |
| TBM-3E | [illegible] 1945 |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 28 Aug 1943 |

[illegible]

# VA-23

## Lineage

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] Leland | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| LCDR Benjamin [illegible] Jr. | Nov 195[illegible] |
| CDR E. [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] Jr. | |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jan 195[illegible] |
| CDR E. W. [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| LCDR Edward E. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Oct 196[illegible] |
| CDR Edward E. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| CDR Robert P. Smith | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR John R. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR Robert R. [illegible] Jr. | Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR Richard A. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] A. [illegible] | Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
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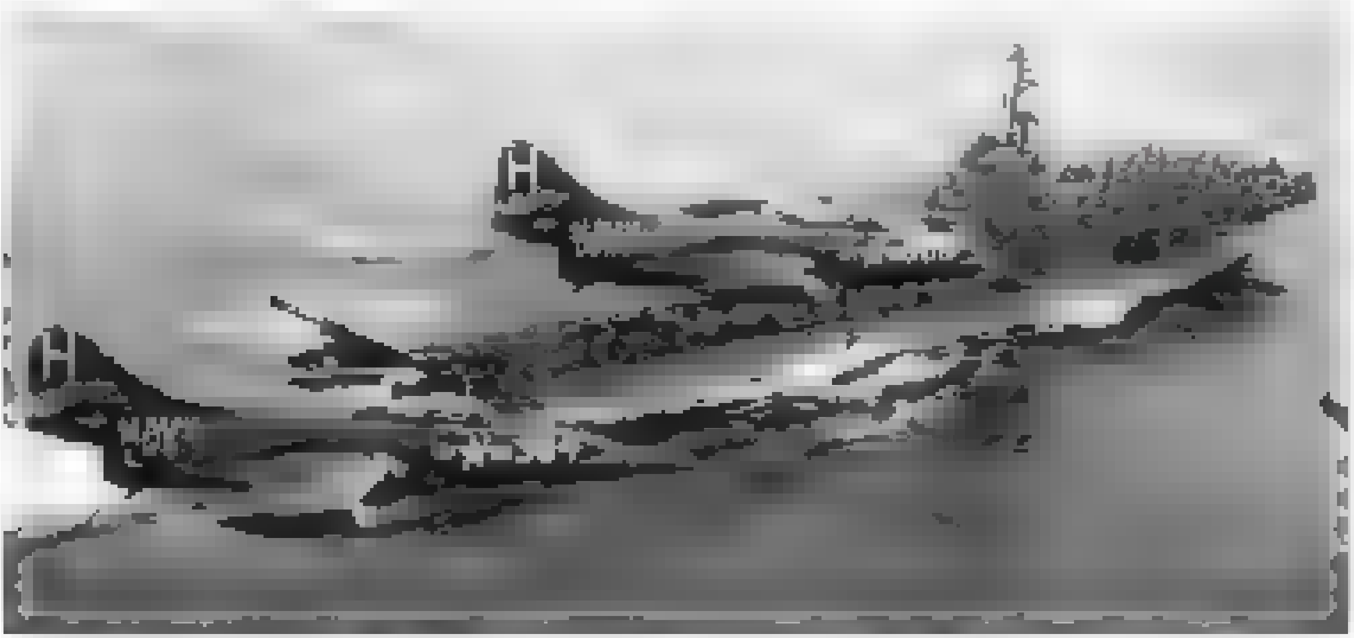

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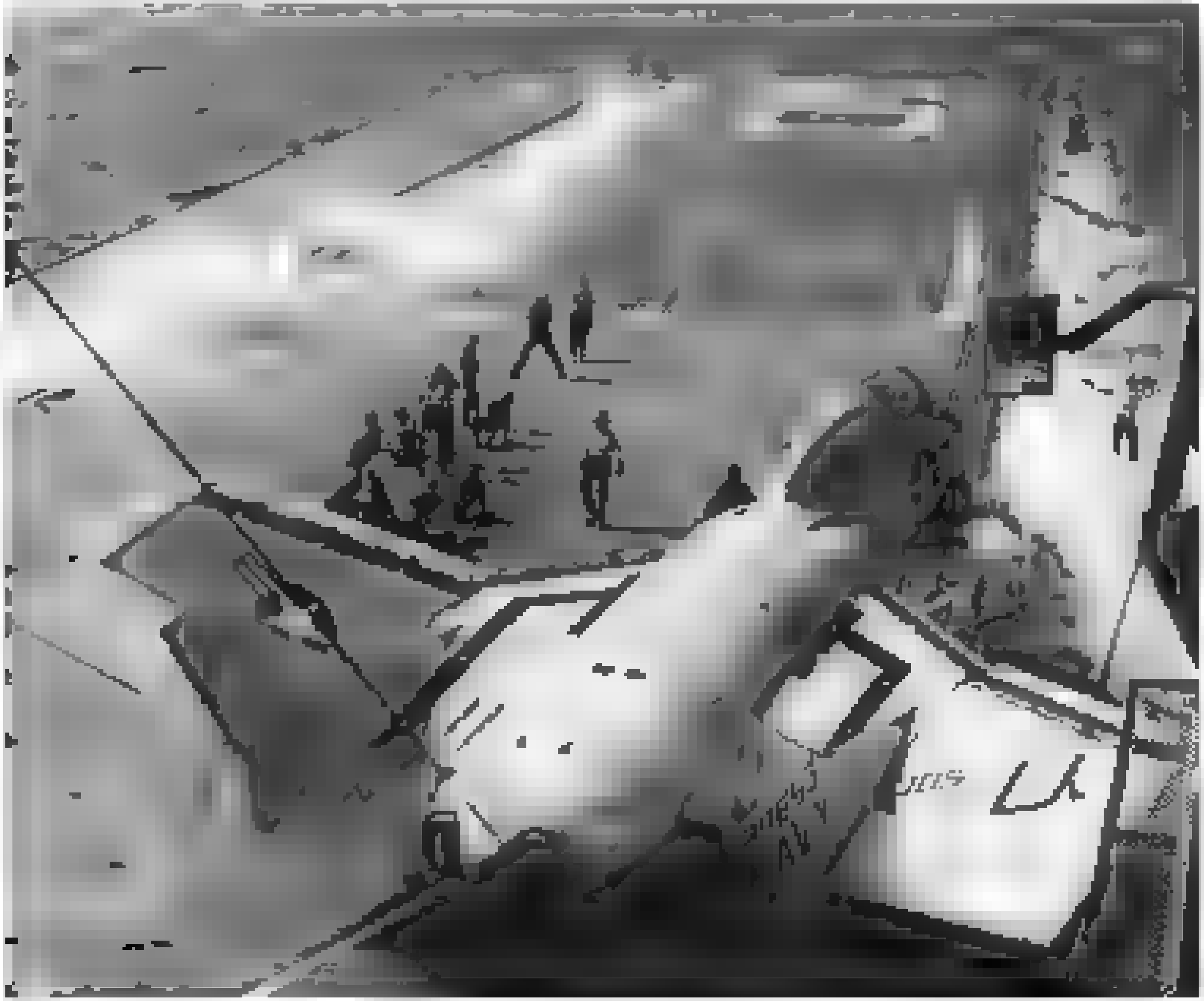
### Major Overseas Deployment

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | F[illegible] | WestPac-Korea |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | F9F | WestPac-Korea |
| [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | F9F | WestPac |
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | F[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | 10 Feb 1959 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | FJ-3M | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1959 | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | FJ-3M | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | 20 Mar 196[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-Vietnam |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4F | WestPac-Vietnam |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4F | WestPac-Vietnam |



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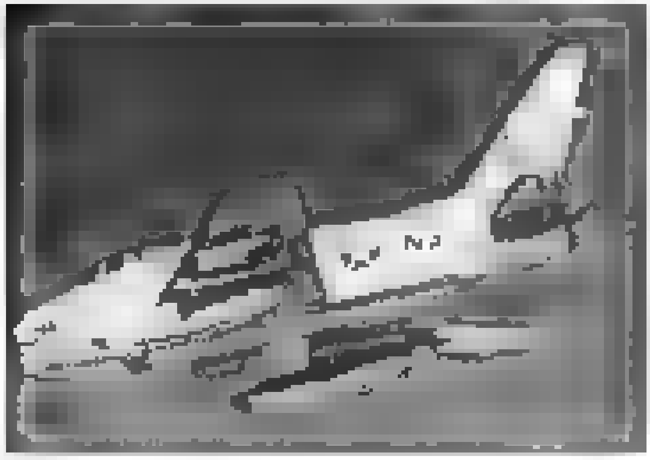

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 5 | | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| KPU[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] Korea | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] Oct 1958 | [illegible] Jan 1959 |
| | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 1969 | |
| | [illegible] Sep 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1969 | [illegible] Nov 1969 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Oct 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1966 | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 1968 | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 1969 | [illegible] Jun 1969 |
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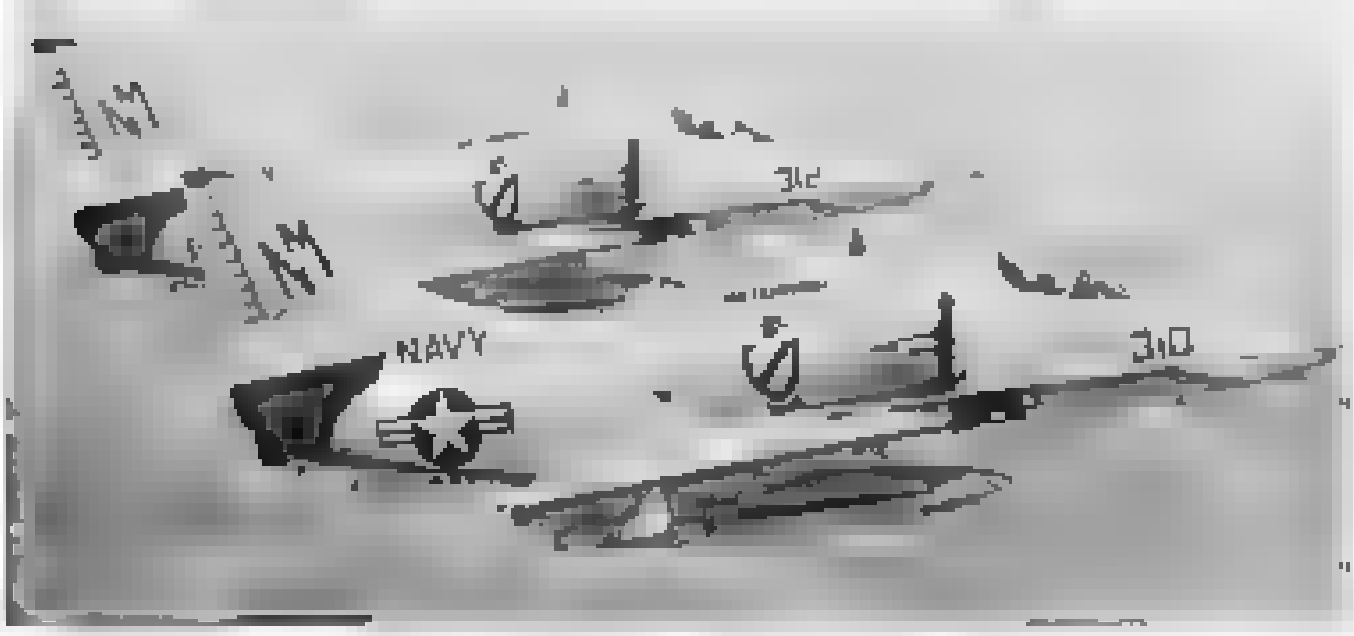

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## SECOND VA-34

### Lineage

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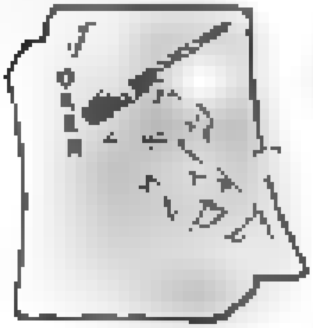
Redesignated Fighter Squadron NINE A (VF-9A) [illegible]

[illegible]

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname



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### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

Okinawa. [illegible] of these operations were in support of the landings at [illegible].

22 Jun 1945: This was the last day of combat action for the squadron during World War II. During the period [illegible] August [illegible] the squadron compiled a remarkable combat record. There were [illegible] [illegible] the commander [illegible] the squadron aircraft [illegible] [illegible] destroyed [illegible] were damaged but not destroyed.

[illegible] 1945: Embarked in [illegible] and departed for the United States, arriving there in the latter part of the month.

Jul–Sep 1948: In cooperation with Commander Operational Development Force, Atlantic Fleet, the squadron [illegible] in the experimental [illegible] approach program aboard *Philippine Sea* [illegible].

Apr 1954: The squadron embarked [illegible] to conduct [illegible] tests on the [illegible].

26 May 1954: The squadron was aboard *Bennington* (CVA 20) en route to the Rhode Island operating area when an explosion on the ship resulted in the death of [illegible] squadron personnel. The ship returned to [illegible] and the squadron disembarked.

[illegible] 1954: Ensign [illegible] completed a [illegible] mile nonstop, non-refueled [illegible] flight from [illegible] to NAS Cecil Field, Florida, in a squadron F2H-2 Banshee. His flight took [illegible] hours and 58 minutes and set a new long distance record for the Banshee.

4 Mar 1958: [illegible] the squadron [illegible] aboard [illegible] and [illegible].

Jul 1958: [illegible] during the amphibious landings in Beirut [illegible].

Jun 1959: [illegible] the squadron conducted the first operational firing of the Bullpup air-to-ground missile in the Atlantic Fleet.

Apr 1961: [illegible] operated from *Essex* [illegible] in the Caribbean during the Bay of Pigs invasion. This operation marked the first use of [illegible] ASW [illegible] operating aboard an ASW designated carrier.

24 Oct–18 Nov 1962: During the Cuban missile crisis [illegible] the entire squadron [illegible] aboard *Enterprise* [illegible] assigned to [illegible] *Enterprise* [illegible] departed for the [illegible] missions in support of the quarantine.

[illegible]–26 Nov 1962: [illegible] the squadron transferred from *Enterprise* to *Independence* [illegible] during the quarantine operations. [illegible] the quarantine mission aboard [illegible] until he returned to the States on [illegible] November.

[illegible] Oct 1962: The squadron [illegible] [illegible] during the Cuban missile crisis.

Oct 1963 and Jan–Feb 1964: The squadron provided detachments of A-4B Skyhawks aboard ASW carrier *Randolph* (CVS 15). The aircraft were used for Combat Air Patrol to provide a fighter capability for the ASW carrier.

May–Dec 1967: VA-34 deployed to Vietnam as a component of Carrier Air Wing [illegible] [illegible] The [illegible] squadron [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Home | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | 10 Apr 1945 |
| NAS Edenton | 26 Jun 1945 |
| NAS Elizabeth City | [illegible] |
| NAAS Charlestown | [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | 01 May 1947 |
| NAAS Charlestown | 26 Jun 1948 |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] |

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[illegible] the squadron [illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Thomas C. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1948 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR A. [illegible] (acting) | 05 Jul 1955 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR George C. Talley, Jr. | 17 Oct 1958 |
| CDR Mitchell C. Griffin | [illegible] Mar 1960 |
| CDR William J. Forgy | 26 May 1961 |
| CDR Hector W. Davis, Jr. | 29 May 1962 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Richard A. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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## Major Overseas Deployment

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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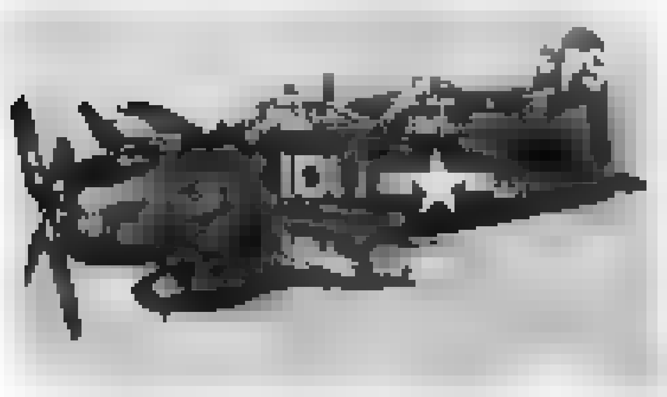

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| ATG-8 | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CVW-11 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | AA | [illegible] |

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[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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# THIRD VA-34

### Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THIRTY FOUR [illegible] on [illegible] 197[illegible]. It is the third squadron to be [illegible] designated [illegible].

VA-34 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

When [illegible] was established, it adopted the insignia and Blue Blasters nickname used by the previous [illegible] squadron. The second [illegible] of the insignia [illegible] as follows: [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] used [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] wings [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] white machine gun in the shape of a [illegible] with a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] skeleton with black markings [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] eyes and red markings on the [illegible] [illegible].

Nickname: Blue Blasters, 197[illegible]–present.

### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Apr 197[illegible]: [illegible] establishment ceremony was held [illegible] NAS [illegible].

18 Sep 197[illegible]: The squadron, [illegible] Kennedy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] training area for Operational Readiness [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the ship [illegible] ordered to deploy to the Mediterranean [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Sep 197[illegible]: A squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] operations [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] while operating in the Norwegian Sea.

[illegible] Nov 197[illegible]: Due to the outbreak of war [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Yom Kippur War [illegible] Kennedy deployed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] operations [illegible] south of Crete.

Sep–Oct 198[illegible]: During the deployment to the North Atlantic [illegible] [illegible] with VA-34 embarked, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to proceed to the Mediterranean [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Jan and Mar 1984: While in the Eastern Mediterranean the squadron conducted operations from [illegible] in support of the multinational peace keeping forces in Beirut, Lebanon.

Sep 1985: While deployed aboard America to the North Atlantic, the squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Norwegian fjords.

24 Mar 1986: [illegible] missiles were fired at [illegible] [illegible] operating in the Gulf of Sidra. As a result of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Prairie Fire [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Intruders operating from America attacked and damaged a [illegible] combattante [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] A follow-up attack [illegible] [illegible] with Rockeye [illegible] resulted in the sinking of the combattante II. The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] establishment in 197[illegible].

14 Apr 1986: [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] United States [illegible] Operation El Dorado [illegible] VA-34 participated in the operation with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] night [illegible] high speed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Benina [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Benghazi, Libya.

Aug 1990: The squadron flew missions in support of Operation Desert Shield, the build up of forces in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] invasion of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Kuwait.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Oceana | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Robert W. [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 15 Jan [illegible] |
| CDR Philip [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR Lester T. [illegible] | 28 Jul [illegible] |
| CDR William K. Westerman | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] F. W[illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR John [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1979 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR James B. Dawson | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | 27 Jan 1986 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Eugene [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |

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[illegible]

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployment

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Med<br>NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med, NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med, NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | AB | 1? Mar 197? |
| [illegible] | AJ | [illegible] 198? |

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | ?? Sep 1970 | [illegible] 197? |
| | [illegible] 197? | 1? Mar 1979 |
| | ? Aug 1983 | 30 Sep 1983 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 1 Jan 1970 | 30 Jun 197? |
| | 1 Jan 1985 | [illegible] 198? |
| NEM | 1 Jan 198? | 3? Jun 198? |
| | 10 Jan 198? | ? Mar 198? |
| | 2? Jan 1986 | 2? Jun 1986 |
| [illegible] | ?? Jan 1986 | [illegible] Apr 1986 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1981 | ? Mar 198? |
| | [illegible] Aug 198? | 1? Jun 198? |
| SASM | 8 Aug 1990 | 2? Aug 199? |

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# VA-35

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo and Bombing Squadron TWO (VT-2) on 1 July 1925.

Redesignated Torpedo and Bombing Squadron TWO B (VT-2B) on 1 July 1927.

Redesignated Bombing Squadron FIVE (VB-5) on 1 July 1937.

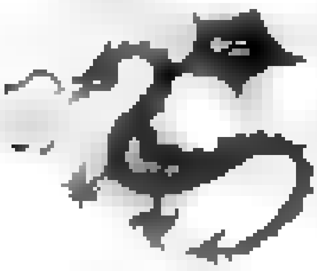
Redesignated Attack Squadron FIVE A (VA-5A) on 15 November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron THIRTY FIVE (VA-35) on 7 August 1948.

Disestablished on 1 November 1949. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-35 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

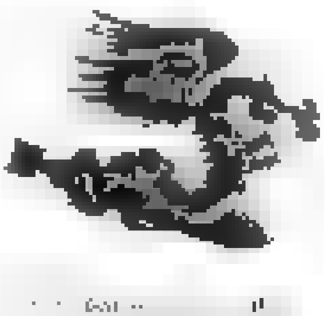
The squadron's first insignia was a winged dragon holding the torpedo and [illegible] potent [illegible] the [illegible] dragon [illegible] symbolize the squadron's mission. The dragon's [illegible] with [illegible] the [illegible] the insignia [illegible] newspaper published [illegible] Sunday.



[illegible]

A modification of the original insignia was approved sometime between 1934 and 1939. The new insignia depicted a dragon (black [illegible]) for the dragon [illegible] with [illegible] green [illegible] the [illegible] When the squadron was redesignated [illegible] in 1937 it continued to use the insignia.

During World War II the dragon [illegible] dragon [illegible] remained the [illegible] the [illegible] using the squadron [illegible] insignia [illegible] in the 1940s [illegible]



[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

6 Jul 1925: VT-2 was established and based at [illegible] Pensacola [illegible]

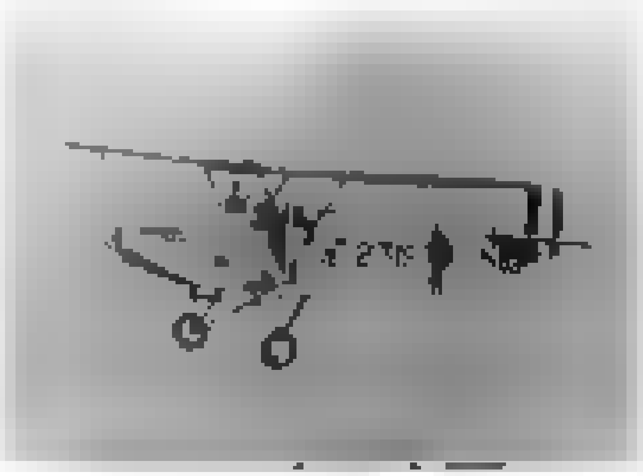
Aug 1926: The squadron was engaged in experimental work relating to the use of signal lights as a means of communication between aircraft [illegible].

1928: With the arrival of the [illegible] the squadron began its transition from water-based [illegible] planes. The squadron continued its [illegible] transition from [illegible] which were [illegible] used in the [illegible] Pensacola [illegible] the T4M [illegible] during [illegible] used for experiments in laying smoke screens.

Jan–Feb 1929: Fleet Problem IX was the first time the Navy [illegible] together with [illegible] embarked [illegible] squadrons in a major fleet exercise.

Mar–Apr 1930: [illegible] the squadron participated in Fleet Problem X, which [illegible] conducted in the [illegible] followed by the Fleet Problem XI [illegible]

May 1930: [illegible] with the planes from [illegible] other squadrons [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] Kenneth [illegible] planes [illegible] fighting planes [illegible] torpedo planes [illegible] and combined [illegible]



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## Home Port Assignments

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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] Pearl [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Seattle | Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Seattle | Mar [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS Key West | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | Aug [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | Dec [illegible] |

[illegible] World War II.

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Dec [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR Theodore [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Frank [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
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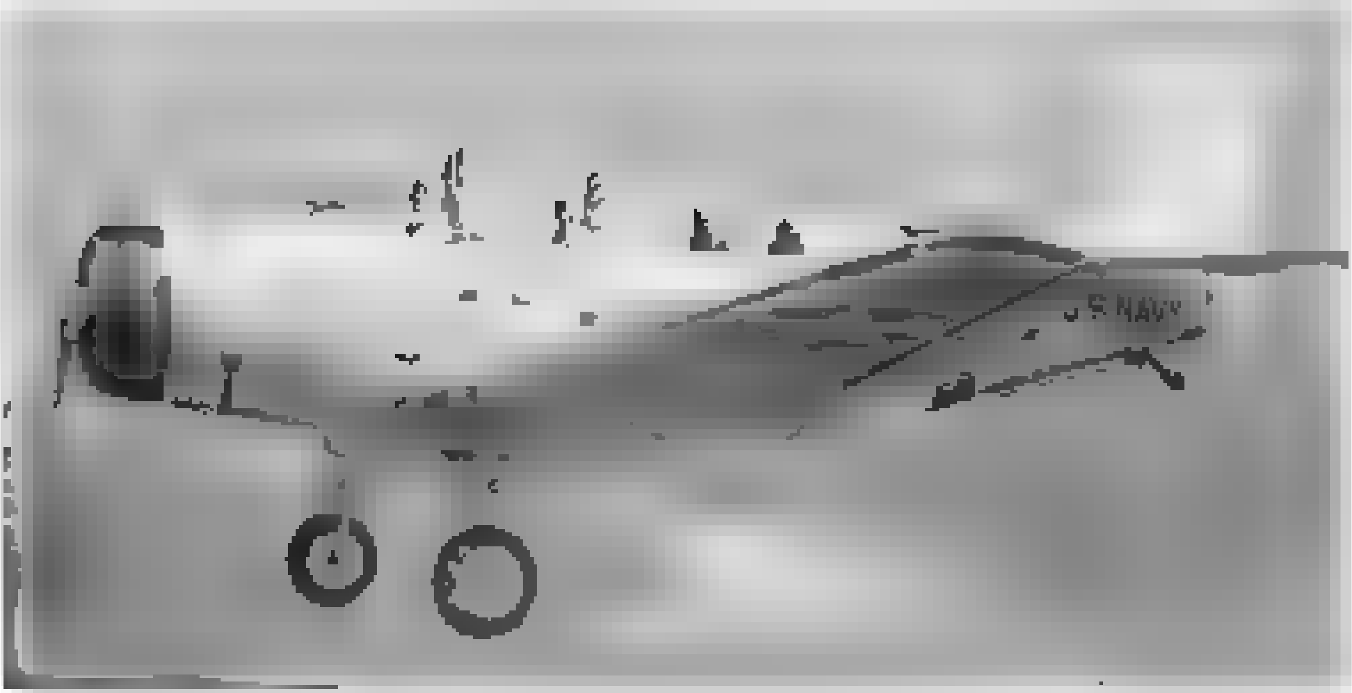

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## Major Overseas Deployment

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15 Jan 1929 | Mar 1929 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | | O2U | Canal Zone<br>Caribbean |
| [illegible] Feb 1930 | 23 Jun 1930 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | | O2U | Canal Zone<br>South |
| 0[illegible] Feb 193[illegible] | 5 Apr 193[illegible] | Saratoga<br>Air Group | | [illegible] | Canal Zone<br>South |
| Feb 1932 | [illegible] Mar 1932 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | [illegible] | [illegible] | Hawaii |
| 2[illegible] Jan 193[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 193[illegible] | Saratoga<br>Air Group | | [illegible] | Hawaii |
| 09 Apr 1934 | 0[illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | Saratoga<br>Air Group | [illegible] | [illegible] | Canal Zone<br>South & East<br>[illegible] |
| Mar 1935 | Jun 1935 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | [illegible] | [illegible] | Hawaii<br>[illegible] |
| Apr 1936 | Jun 1936 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | | [illegible] | Canal Zone<br>[illegible] |
| Apr 193[illegible] | [illegible] | Saratoga<br>Air Group | [illegible] | [illegible] | Hawaii [illegible] |
| Mar 19[illegible] | Apr 1938 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | | [illegible] | Hawaii [illegible] |
| 0[illegible] Apr 1940 | 2[illegible] Jun 1940 | Saratoga<br>Air Group | [illegible] | [illegible] | Hawaii [illegible] |
| [illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | Jan 194[illegible] | Saratoga<br>Air Group | 4 | [illegible] | Hawaii [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployment—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | [illegible] | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Air Group | | TBF-1 | Midway [illegible] |
| Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Air Group | [illegible] | TBF | Pacific [illegible] |
| Nov [illegible] | Jun [illegible] | Saratoga Air Group | [illegible] | TBF | Pacific [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | | [illegible] | TBM-1C | Pacific [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | | TBM-3E & TBM-3Q | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | TBM-3E & TBM-3W | Med |

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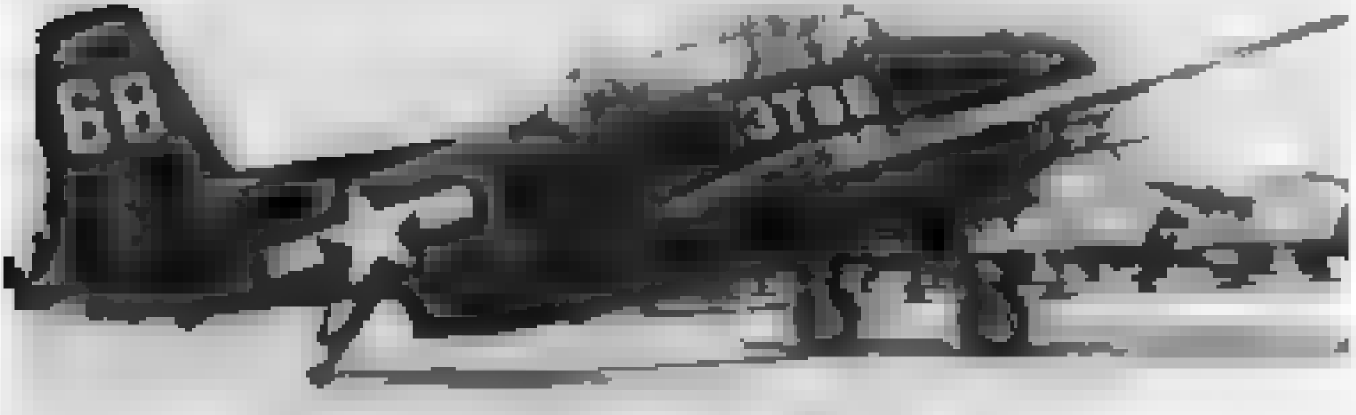

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| Aircraft Squadrons, Battle Force | | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| Saratoga Air Group | | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] Air Group | | [illegible] 194[illegible] |
| Enterprise Air Group | | Jul 194[illegible] |
| Saratoga Air Group | [illegible] | Sep 194[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |

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## Unit Awards

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 194[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 194[illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb 194[illegible] | 25 Feb 194[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 24 Aug 194[illegible] | 25 Aug 194[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 194[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 194[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Nov 194[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 194[illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb 194[illegible] | 25 Feb 194[illegible] |

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# SECOND VA-35

## Lineage

[illegible] July 195[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible] A detachment from VB-3B, including six [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] as part of a strike group under [illegible] attack the fourth Japanese carrier, Hiryu [illegible] strike force located Hiryu and again caught a Japanese [illegible]

[illegible]

Lieutenants Bottomley and Shumway, and Lieutenant Commander Leslie [illegible]

[illegible] and helping to sink her [illegible]

Jan–Jul 1943: VB-3 operated [illegible] ing combat sorties against various Japanese-held [illegible]

[illegible] part of the Lingayen Gulf landings on Luzon in early January. With [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] ght to a close an illustrious career with CVW-3 [illegible]

1 Oct 1967: During a weapons training deployment [illegible]

[illegible] VMAQ- [illegible] crashed into parked aircraft while attempting [illegible]

[illegible] conducted flight operations from the [illegible] the [illegible] part of Operation Desert Shield, the buildup of American and allied forces to counter a threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia by Iraq and part of an [illegible] [illegible] Iraq [illegible] Kuwait.

[illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Seattle | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | Apr [illegible] |
| Ford Island, Pearl Harbor | Jan [illegible] |
| NAS Kaneohe | Feb [illegible] |
| NAS E[illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| NAS Kaneohe | Sep [illegible] |
| Nandi Field, Fiji Islands | Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible], New Caledonia | [illegible] |
| NAS Sand Point | Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | Oct 1943 |
| NAS Pasco | 07 Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Kaneohe | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Seattle | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | 30 Apr 1952 |
| NAS Cecil Field | Feb 1953 |
| NAS Jacksonville | 01 Oct 1958 |
| NAS Oceana | Aug 1965 |

[illegible]

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR George [illegible] [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert H. Hensell | 01 Jun 1939 |
| LCDR Paul E. Roswell | 05 Jun 1937 |
| LCDR Edgar [illegible] [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert E. Bl[illegible], Jr. | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Rutherford, Jr. | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Hodges | [illegible] |
| LCDR Ralph [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. Johnson | Nov [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR Joseph F. Frick | 29 May 1969 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] White | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Stephen A. [illegible] | 5 Dec [illegible] |
| CDR Ronald S. [illegible] | 24 Jun 1985 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Oct [illegible] |
| CDR James A. [illegible] | 08 Apr 1988 |
| CDR James F. Anderson | [illegible] Sep 1989 |

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### Major Overseas Deployment

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | Ranger Air Group | | BG | [illegible] |
| | | | | BG | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Lexington Air Group | | BG | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | Ranger Air Group | | BG | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Saratoga Air Group | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Saratoga Air Group | | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployment—Continued

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apr 1942 | Apr 1942 | Enterprise Air Group | [illegible] | SBD | Pacific Ops |
| [illegible] Mar 1942 | Jun 1942 | Yorktown Air Group | [illegible] | SBD | Battle of Midway |
| 07 Jul 1942 | 2[illegible] Sep 1942 | Saratoga Air Group | | SBD | SoPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1942 | 2[illegible] Jul 1943 | Saratoga Air Group | [illegible] | SBD | SoPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | SB2C-[illegible] | Pacific Ops |
| 07 Jun 1947 | [illegible] Aug 1947 | [illegible] | [illegible] | SB2C-5 | [illegible] |
| 01 Jun 1948 | [illegible] | | | SB2C-5 | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1950 | 24 Aug 1950 | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1950 | [illegible] Sep 1950 | | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep 1950 | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 29 Aug 1952 | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | 0[illegible] Aug 1956 | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] | 25 [illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| 0[illegible] Jan 1968 | 18 Jul 1968 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
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| 05 Jun 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & KA-3B | WestPac [illegible] |
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| [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 16 Jul 1975 | 24 Sep 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 07 Jul 1976 | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | 20 Jul 1978 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | Med [illegible] |
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| 29 Aug 1980 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 03 Aug 1981 | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | [illegible] Med |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| Ranger Air [illegible] | | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] Air Group [illegible] | | Nov [illegible] |
| Ranger Air [illegible] | | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| Saratoga [illegible] Group | | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] Group | | Mar [illegible] |
| Saratoga [illegible] Group | K [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | | Jul [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | AJ | Sep 1989 |

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## Unit Awards Received

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| | [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Jun 1968 |
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| | 04 Jun 1967 | 23 Jun 1967 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1968 | [illegible] Mar 1968 |
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| | 30 Apr 1968 | 28 May 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] Jun 1968 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covered | |
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| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] Nov 1969 |
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| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| | 28 Apr 1970 | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 1972 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 1972 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 1972 | 26 Aug [illegible] |
| | 06 Sep 1972 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Oct 1972 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1972 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 09 Jan 1973 | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
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| | 25 Oct 1980 | 09 Dec 1980 |
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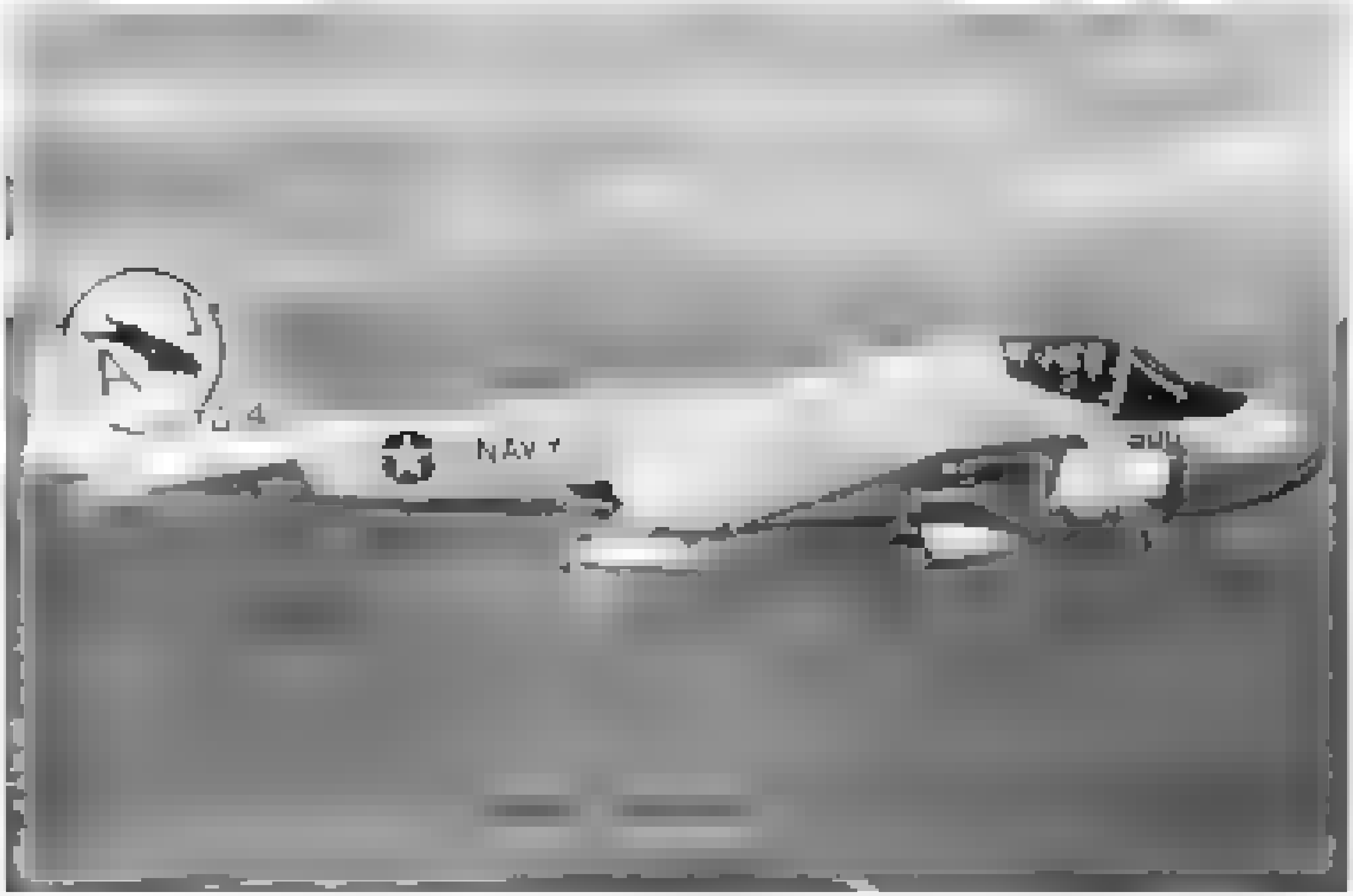
| [illegible] Medal | | |
| Asiatic-Pacific | For numerous periods during World War II | |



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# VA-36

## Lineage

Established as Fighter Squadron [illegible] (VF-[illegible]) on [illegible] 195[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron THIRTY SIX (VA-36) on [illegible] 1955.

Disestablished on [illegible] August [illegible]. The first squadron to be designated VA-36.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] insignia [illegible] approved [illegible] the squadron [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the squadron [illegible] photograph [illegible] The insignia [illegible] a [illegible] winged [illegible] diagonally [illegible] lightning bolt and a blue sea depicted on the lower part of the circle. The skull, lightning bolt [illegible] insignia were [illegible] yellow. [illegible] used an insignia design [illegible] [illegible] indicated [illegible] the squadron [illegible] insignia [illegible] with [illegible] The insignia [illegible] upper and lower [illegible] with [illegible] on the upper [illegible] on the lower [illegible] were outlined [illegible]

Nickname: [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] 195[illegible]–Sep 1954: During the squadron's [illegible] aboard [illegible] Panama Canal.

Jul–Aug 19[illegible]: While deployed on a [illegible] cruise aboard Saratoga in the [illegible], the squadron [illegible] alert status due to the [illegible]

2 Dec 1965: The squadron [illegible] flying from Enterprise [illegible] Station in the South China Sea [illegible] This marked the first time a nuclear powered ship had engaged in combat.

Dec 1965–Jun 1966: During the period of combat operations, squadron personnel were awarded [illegible] Air Medals.

May–Jun 1967: [illegible] in the eastern Mediterranean during the Middle East War between Israel and Egypt and Syria [illegible] were launched to provide [illegible] after it came under attack by Israeli forces.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | Apr 195[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
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## Aircraft Assignment

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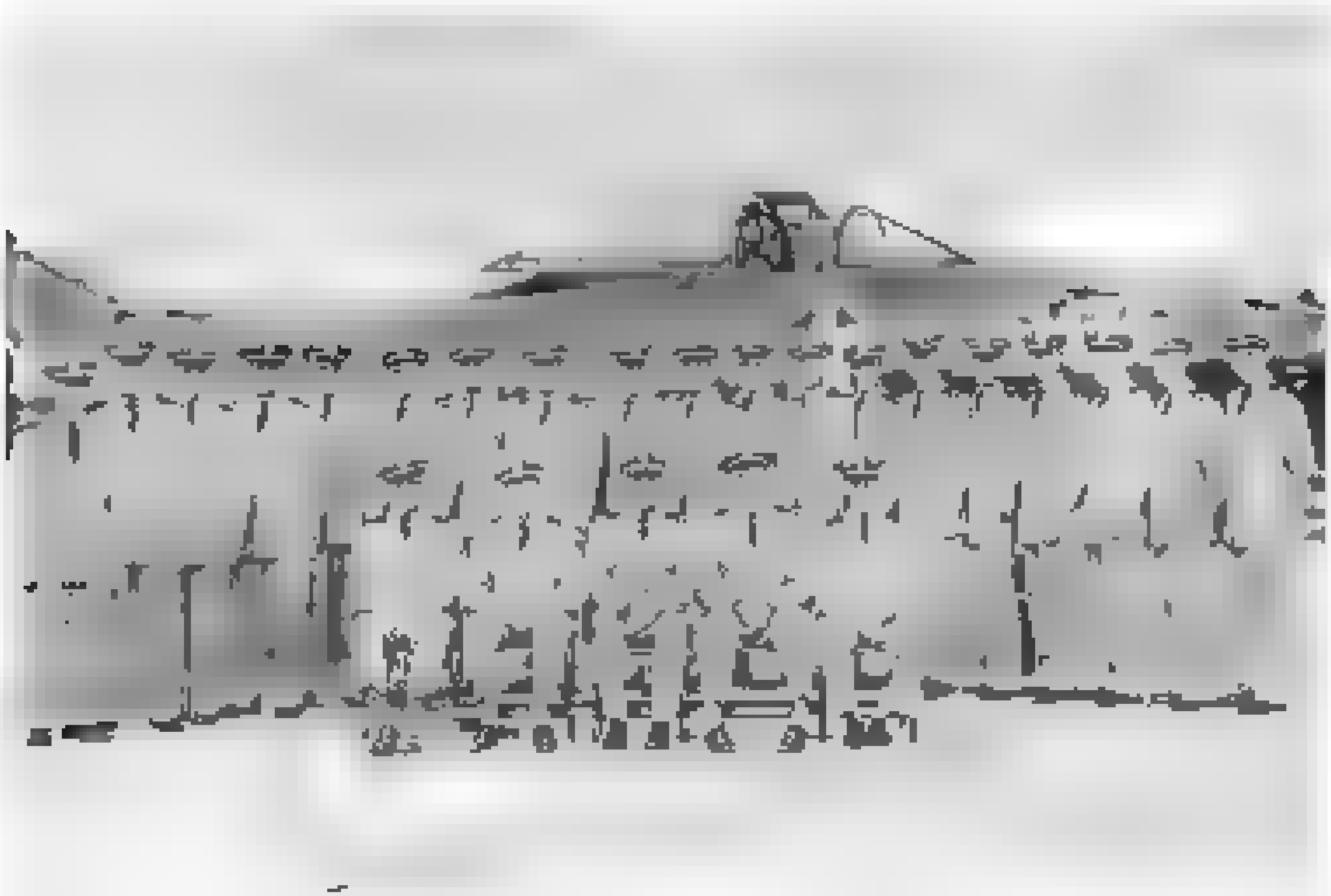

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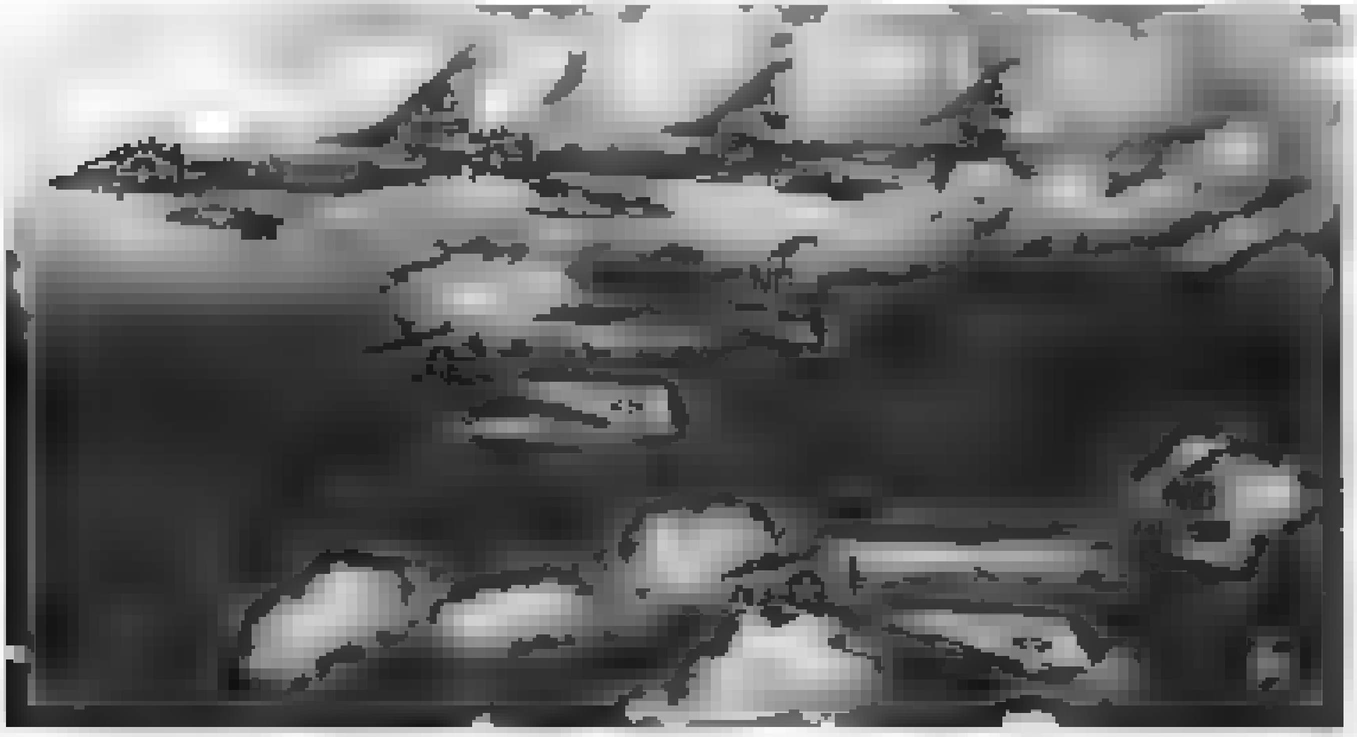

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# SECOND VA-36

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THIRTY SIX (VA-36) on 1 March 1987.

Disestablished on 1 April 1994. The second Navy squadron to be assigned the VA-36 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The insignia adopted by VA-36 is a modification of the Roadrunner insignia used by the first VA-36 squadron. The [illegible] had been [illegible] Bird [illegible] insignia [illegible] the insignia depicted [illegible] with [illegible] colors [illegible] the background [illegible] blue [illegible] pictured [illegible] black and white [illegible] black markings and red lettering on the scrolls. The insignia was tentatively approved by CNO on 8 April 1987.

Nickname: Roadrunners, 1987–1994.

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

30 Dec 1988: VA-36 departed aboard Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) for the carrier's maiden cruise in the Mediterranean Sea.

17 Jan–28 Feb 1991: The squadron participated in Operation Desert Storm, combat operations against Iraq.

Apr–Jun 1991: The squadron participated in Operation Provide Comfort, a multi-national operation providing relief to the Kurdish refugees in northern Iraq.

Mar–Sep 1993: The squadron, along with the other units of CVW-8, deployed aboard Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) on a new approach to joint operations to test the Navy's ability to project a wide range of power and mobility from the sea. The major units of the air wing during the deployment included the [illegible] squadron [illegible] a Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force [illegible] consisting of a Marine [illegible] Wing and [illegible] squadron [illegible]. The mix of units provided the carrier with the ability to project air and ground forces ashore under a single command.

Jun 1993: The squadron, along with other units embarked on Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71), operated in the Red Sea in support of a strike on the Iraqi Intelligence Service headquarters building in Baghdad in response to Iraq's attempt on the life of former President Bush while on a visit to Kuwait in April. During this time the squadron also participated in Operation Southern Watch, monitoring the no-fly zone over southern Iraq.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Oceana | 1 Mar 1987 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] Wells | 1 Mar 1987 |
| CDR [illegible] Brandon | 1 Jun 1988 |
| CDR [illegible] Walton | Jun 1989 |
| CDR Thomas [illegible] | Aug 1991 |
| CDR Mark [illegible] | Sep 1992 |
| CDR Mark [illegible] | Sep 1993 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-6E | Mar 1987 |

## Major Overseas Deployment

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 25 Aug 1988 | 6 Oct 1988 | CVW-8 | CVN 71 | A-6E | NorLant |
| 30 Dec 1988 | 30 Jun 1989 | CVW-8 | CVN 71 | A-6E | Med |
| 28 Dec 1990 | 28 Jun 1991 | CVW-8 | CVN 71 | A-6E | Med/[illegible] |
| 11 Mar 1993 | 8 Sep 1993 | CVW-8 | CVN 71 | A-6E | Med/[illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
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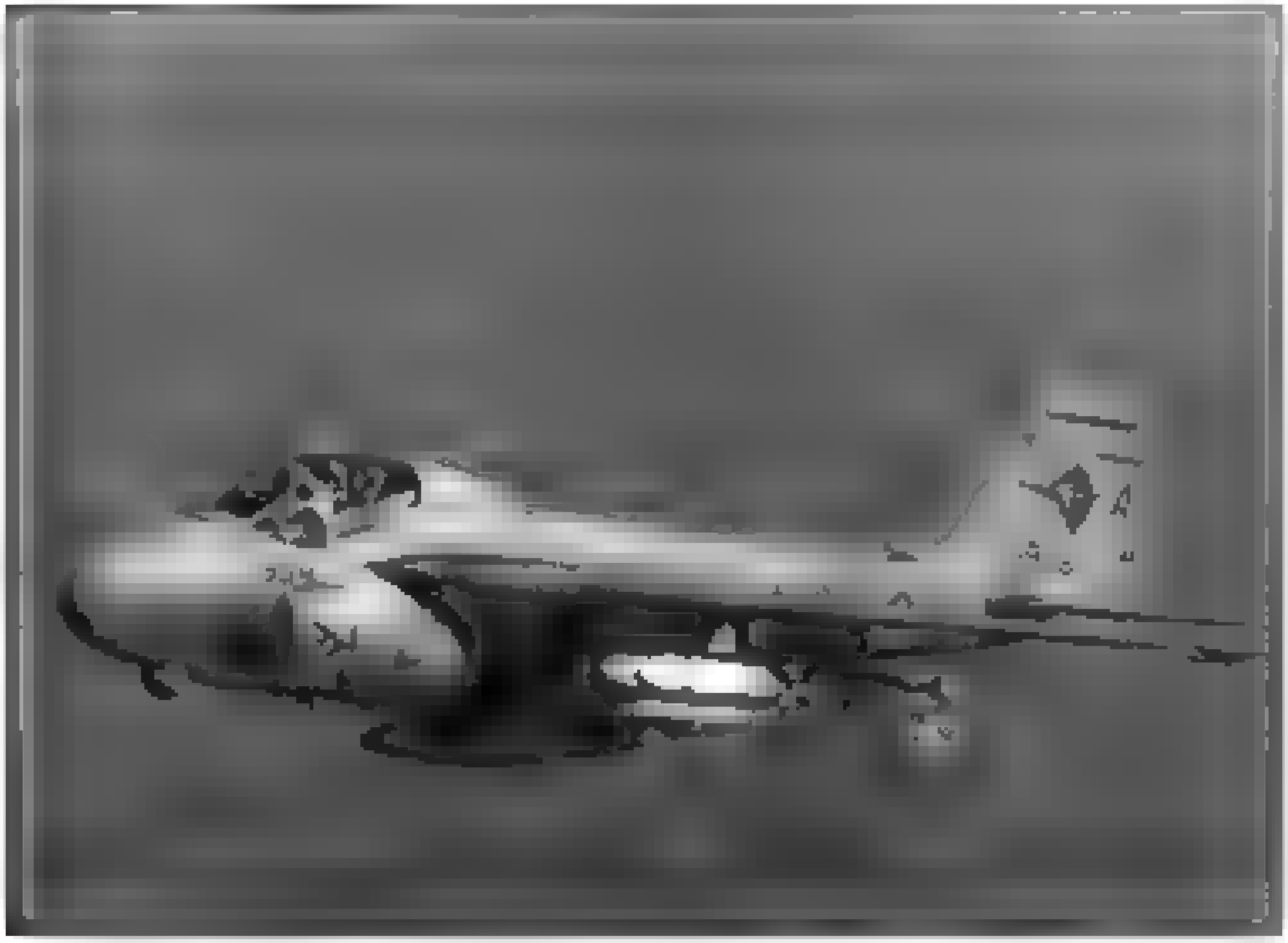

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# VA-38

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THIRTY EIGHT (VA-38) on [illegible] March [illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] October [illegible]. The [illegible] squadron to be assigned the VA-38 designation.

## Chronology of Significant Events

The establishment of VA-38 was [illegible] by [illegible] The squadron's administrative assignment [illegible] to [illegible] under [illegible] Fleet [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Apparently VA-38 existed only on paper. The squadron was established while the A-6A [illegible] was being introduced to the fleet and [illegible] programmed to be a new A-6A attack squadron. However, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the squadron was not assigned [illegible] [illegible] The only records on the squadron are the message establishing and disestablishing the unit.

# VA-42

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

ed. This brought

a[illegible] still maintained use of [illegible] T-28s for use in [illegible] instrument training.

14 Jul 1963: The Green Pawns conducted the first fleet night arrested landings and catapult launchings with the A-6A aboard the Forrestal [illegible].

2 Mar 1964: The squadron's last T-28 was transferred and the instrument training program for fleet A-4 pilots [illegible] were transferred.

4 Mar 1964: [illegible] became the first fully manned fleet A-6A squadron ready for deployment following [illegible] completion of [illegible] introduction program [illegible].

5 Dec 1964: [illegible] became the first Marine Corps squadron to complete transition training in the A-6A and qualify for fleet deployment with the Intruder.

24 Jan 1968: With the acquisition of the TC-4C, the [illegible] to provide more training [illegible] bombardier/navigator [illegible]. The new aircraft was equipped with a complete A-6A [illegible] system [illegible].

Mar 1968: [illegible] pilot training syllabus was modified to exclude [illegible] from the Intruder's employment [illegible]. The new [illegible] phase included [illegible] sidewinder missile [illegible] conventional weapons training was made more realistic.

[illegible] Nov 1969: With the [illegible] of the improved Intruder, the A-6B, in June 1969, the squadron developed a new training syllabus for the A-6B [illegible] and a detachment from VA-165 became the first to complete the course of instruction in November 1969.

2 Nov 1969: The squadron assumed the duties of providing A-6 [illegible] training for [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] intelligence officer to complete the training in November 1969.

[illegible] Oct 19[illegible]: When [illegible] was established [illegible] command [illegible] commanding officer [illegible] assigned as commander of [illegible] Attack Wing [illegible] was disestablished.

[illegible] Jan 19[illegible]: [illegible] commanding officer [illegible] was selected [illegible] the [illegible] squadron [illegible] commanding officer.

[illegible] pilot [illegible] the first [illegible] Intruder pilot [illegible] the Green Pawns [illegible] pilot.

Jan 1982: [illegible] training program for the [illegible] system.

Jun 1982: [illegible] pilot became the first female naval aviator to make an arrested landing in an A-6 during carrier qualifications [illegible].

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAAS Oceana | 01 Sep 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| NAAS Cecil Field | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| NAS Oceana | 2[illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |

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NAAS Oceana was upgraded to NAS [illegible] April [illegible].

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Ross B. Spencer | 01 Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| LCDR Shelley B. Pittman | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] P. Smith | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| CDR Clifton B. Burgess Jr. | 10 Jul 1957 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] Jr. | 5 Aug 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 05 Aug 1959 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 2[illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Nelson | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 20 Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Small | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR Frank [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas E. [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] Berger | 10 Sep [illegible] |
| CAPT William [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | 10 Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] White | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 20 Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

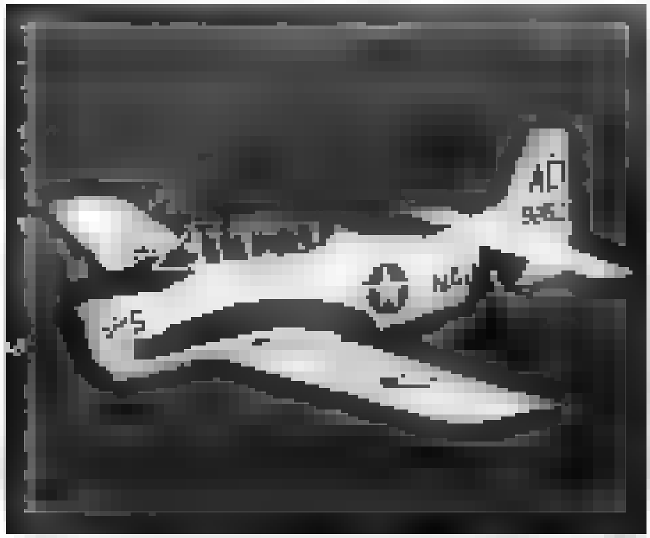
## Aircraft Assignments

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 Mar 19[illegible] | 1[illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | AirDet [illegible] | [illegible] | F[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1952 | 19 [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | F[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | 1[illegible] Jun [illegible] | ATG [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | ATG [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1958 | 1[illegible] Aug 1958 | ATG [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |



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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| ATG [illegible] | | Jul 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] |
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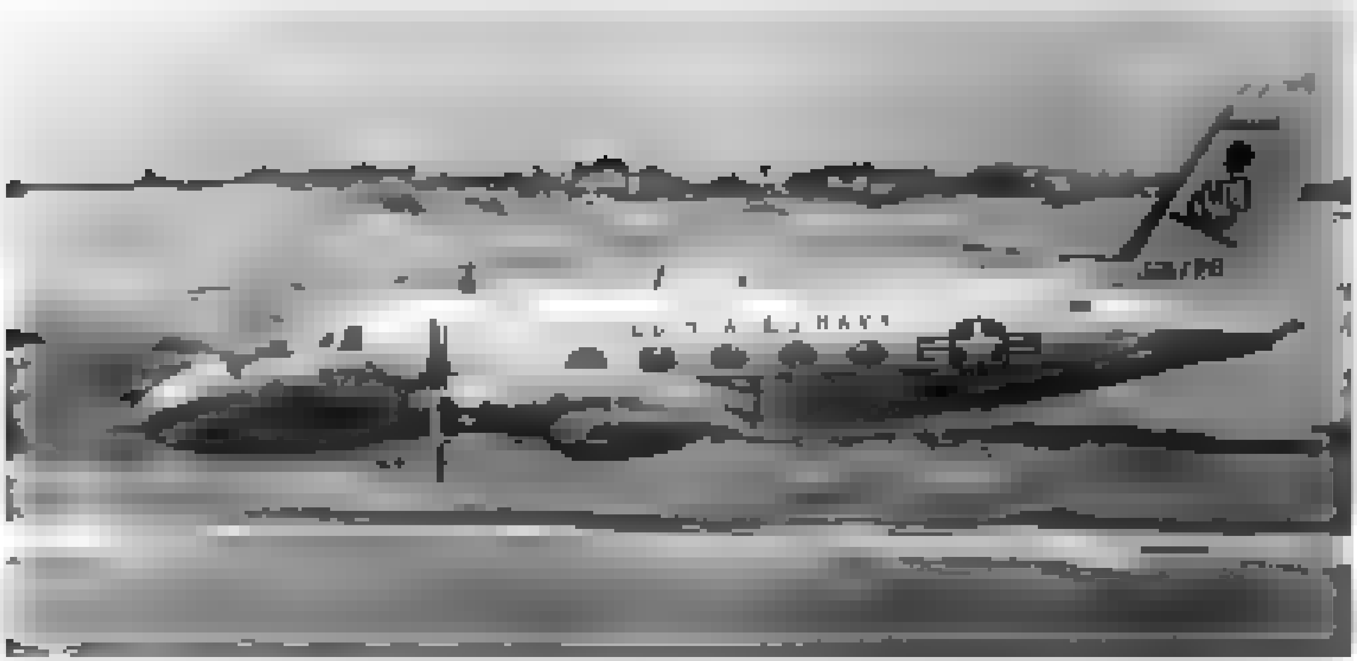

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### *Unit Awards Received*

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA-44

## Lineage

Established as Bombing Squadron SEVENTY FIVE (VB-75) on 1 June 1945.

Redesignated Attack Squadron THREE B (VA-3B) on 15 November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron FORTY FOUR (VA-44) on 1 September 1948.

Disestablished on 8 June 1950. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-44 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] August 1945. The insignia colors were as follows: inside the background was light green; the head [illegible] and [illegible] of the [illegible] were [illegible] blue and the wings [illegible] light blue with [illegible]; the [illegible] on the [illegible] was yellow; the eyeball was white with a light [illegible] and pupil black; deep [illegible] dark green mouth with [illegible] tip of deep [illegible]; teeth and deep [illegible] the [illegible] were white [illegible] had bands of green and yellow with a deep [illegible] telescope with white highlights and a white [illegible]; the [illegible] green [illegible] with yellow fins and the [illegible] and yellow fins and nose [illegible] the [illegible] was forest green; the [illegible] with yellow lettering.

[illegible]

When redesignated an attack squadron a new insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] August 19[illegible]. The [illegible] head and bomb design represented the [illegible] and [illegible] of the [illegible] squadron. [illegible] the background [illegible] with [illegible] blue [illegible] on black [illegible] bomb with the [illegible] while the [illegible] silhouette was [illegible] with the [illegible] while the [illegible] ward part of the [illegible] was black while the [illegible] was white [illegible] to the upper [illegible] with red [illegible] the [illegible] was white [illegible] in black with black letters.

[illegible]

When the squadron was redesignated VA-44 it submitted a request to change its insignia to a [illegible] Knight [illegible] on a white circle. There is no record of CNO approval for the insignia.

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Jun 1945: The squadron began its first flight operations.

Jan–Feb 1946: VB-75 deployed aboard *Franklin D. Roosevelt* (CVB 42) for her shakedown cruise to the Caribbean and Brazil. While [illegible] the squadron [illegible] group [illegible] represented the [illegible] at the inauguration of Brazilian President Eurico Dutra.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAAS [illegible] | Jun 1945 |
| NAS Norfolk | Mar 1946 |
| NAS Jacksonville, Fla. | Feb 1949 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT Henry B. [illegible] | 11 Jun 1945 |
| LCDR John W. [illegible] | 11 Jun 1945 |
| CDR Elmer [illegible] | 30 Sep 1946 |
| LCDR [illegible] | 19 Sep 194[illegible] |
| LCDR R. F. Howell | 4 Jan 1949 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | 28 Feb 1950 |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

# SECOND VA-44

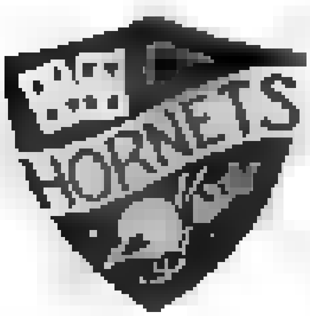
## Lineage

Established as Fighter Squadron FORTY FOUR (VF-44) on 1 September 1950.

Redesignated Attack Squadron FORTY FOUR (VA-44) on 1 January 1956.

Disestablished on [illegible] Jan 1970. The [illegible] squadron to be assigned the VA-44 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname



Squadron insignia [illegible]

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] December 1952. The insignia consisted of a blue shield with a white banner across the shield with the word "Hornets" in red. Over a white playing card [illegible] the other [illegible] elements, the caricature of the hornet was black with red, blue and white details. When the squadron was redesignated VA-44 it retained the same insignia.

Nickname: Hornets, 1950–1970.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**3 Jun 1953:** The squadron conducted its first combat operations, striking targets in Korea.

**Sep–Oct 1957:** During the squadron's deployment aboard [illegible], its mission was temporarily changed from attack to a fighter role in order to provide air protection for the [illegible] squadrons operating from the carrier.

**Jun 1958:** The squadron's mission changed from a light attack squadron to a Fleet Replacement Training squadron. The new mission included flight training for pilots and maintenance training for enlisted personnel. Under the concept, pilots and enlisted personnel ordered to East Coast Fleet attack squadrons completed their course of instruction at VA-44 before reporting to their assigned fleet squadrons.

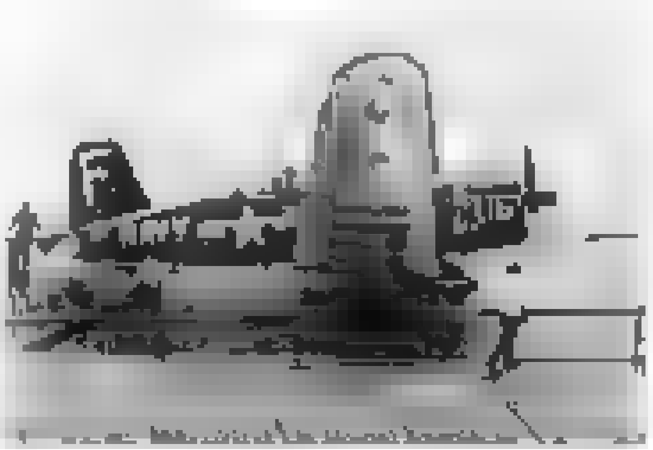
**1 Jul 1958:** Fleet [illegible] training and Replacement [illegible] maintenance training detachment was disestablished and its personnel and aircraft were transferred to VA-44.

**8 Aug 1958:** The squadron graduated its first replacement pilot under the new training program for attack pilots.

**Jan 1959:** The squadron had 34 Skyhawks [illegible] and Skyraiders began for the additional mission of replacement training [illegible] the [illegible] Skyhawk.

**15 Nov 1961:** The squadron conducted the [illegible] in the [illegible] Skyhawk.

**15 Feb 1963:** The Skyraider training section of the squadron was removed from VA-44 and established as a separate squadron and designated VA-45. VA-44 continued its training mission, concentrating on A-4 Skyhawk training. It became a single type squadron flying the A-4B, A-4C and TF-9J.



A [illegible] of VA-44 [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Jacksonville, Fla. | 1 Sep 195[illegible] |
| NAAS Cecil Field | 9 Sep 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville, Fla. | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | 8 Feb 196[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] H. [illegible] | 1 Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR W. [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Nov 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR Thomas [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 10 Jan 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | Jul 1959 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR W. B. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] Jr. | 10 Mar 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | Mar 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Jul 196[illegible] |

### Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

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### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible]<br>WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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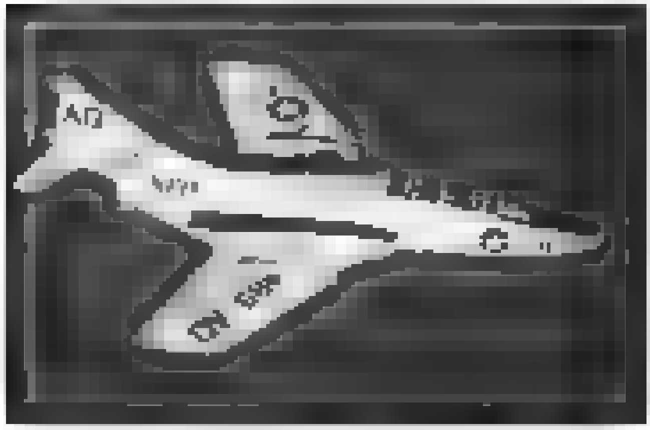

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### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | 4 Jun 195[illegible] | Jul 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 4 Jun 195[illegible] | 7 Jul 195[illegible] |
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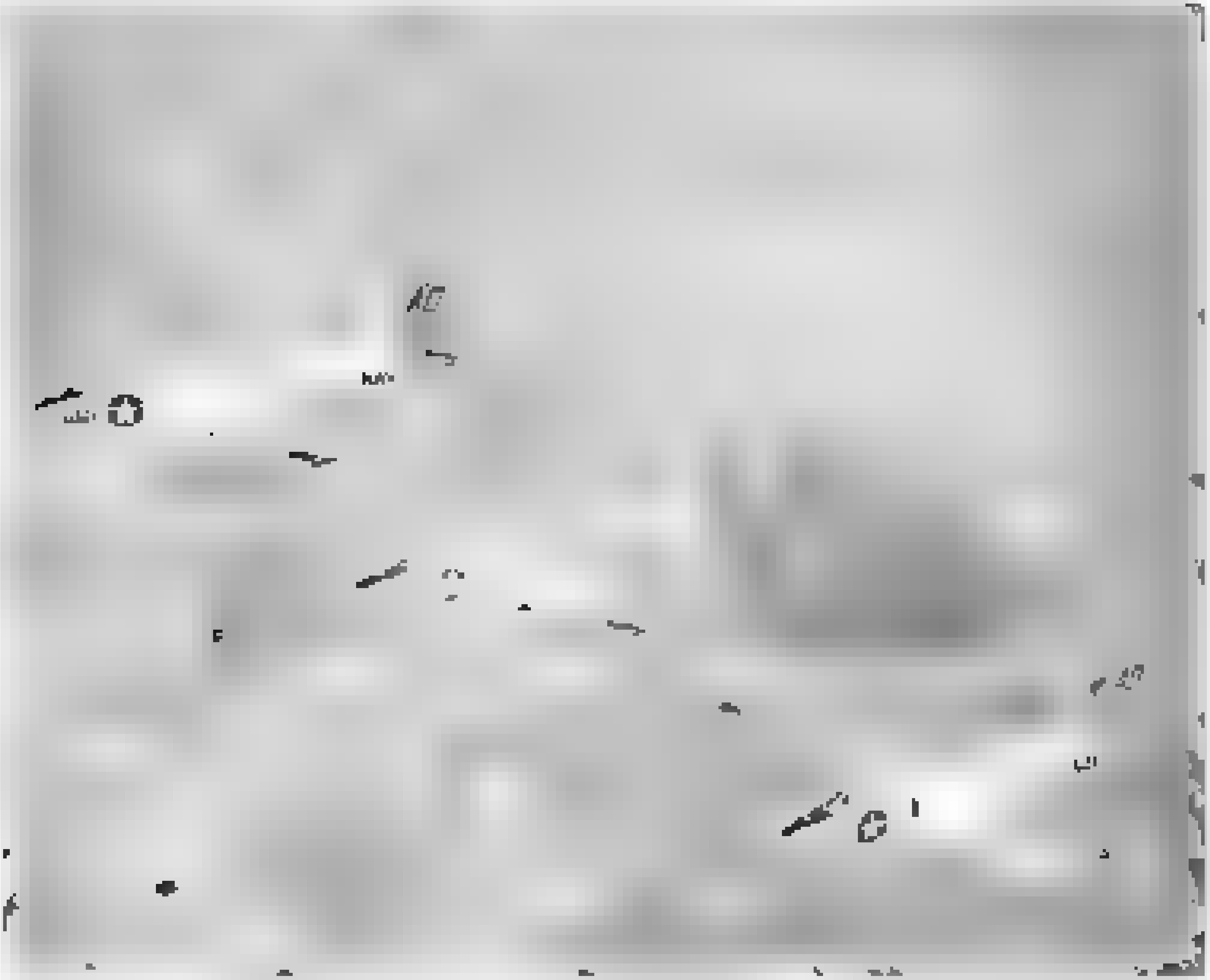

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# VA-45

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron [illegible] FIVE [illegible] on [illegible] June 1943.

Redesignated Attack Squadron FOUR B [illegible] on [illegible] November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] FIVE (VA-45) on [illegible] September 1948.

Disestablished on 8 June 1950. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-45 designation.

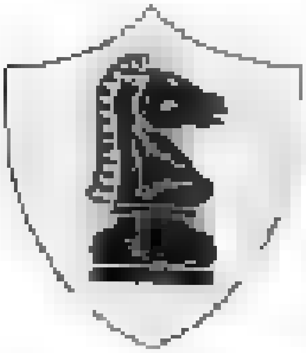
## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] insignia [illegible] August [illegible] Fish-hawk insignia were [illegible] background [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] tongue [illegible] with a [illegible] and a [illegible] outlined in black [illegible] and [illegible] with red eyes [illegible] torpedo [illegible] white [illegible] and [illegible] The [illegible] were black.

There is no record [illegible] the insignia used by the squadron after [illegible] When the squadron was redesignated [illegible] adopted a new insignia which was approved [illegible] on [illegible] April 1949. The insignia [illegible] black chess knight on a white shield outlined in black.



[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

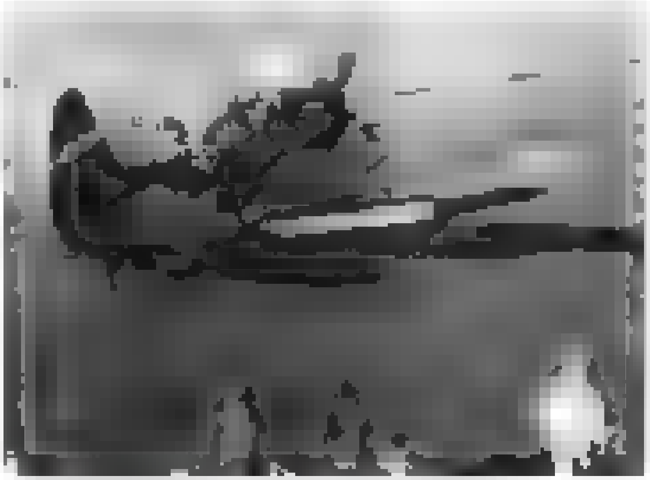
Jan–Feb 1946: VT-[illegible] deployed aboard Franklin D. Roosevelt [illegible] on her shakedown cruise to the Caribbean and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. [illegible] squadron [illegible] group and [illegible] represented the [illegible] at the inauguration of Brazilian President [illegible] Dutra.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 194[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT Richard W. [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Jun 1943 |
| LT Paul [illegible] | [illegible] 1943 |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 194[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Feb 194[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 194[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Kidd | [illegible] 195[illegible] |



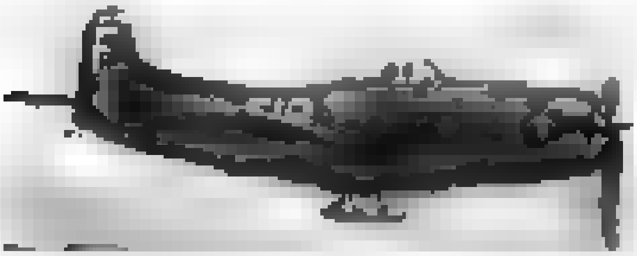
[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBF-1C | [illegible] 1943 |
| TBM-1C | Jan [illegible] |
| TBM-3E | Sep 1943 |
| [illegible] | Nov 194[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Feb 194[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |



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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

# SECOND VA-45

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron FORTY FIVE (VA-45) on [illegible] September 195[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] 195[illegible]. The [illegible] squadron to be assigned the VA-45 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved by CNO on 20 April 195[illegible]. A blackbird in a boxing stance became the focal point of the insignia design and the bird was superimposed over an oval design with a light blue background. Black [illegible] the bird's legs, feet and gloves were yellow and tongue, the [illegible] and shaded areas of the gloves were red, white [illegible] and [illegible] design. The lower portion of the insignia had a dark green background with the name [illegible] in yellow. The numbers 4 and 20 were taken from the nursery rhyme "Four and Twenty Blackbirds" and represent the original 24 pilots assigned to the squadron.

[illegible]

Nickname: Blackbirds, 1950–1958.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Jun 1953: The squadron flew its first combat operations while deployed to Korea aboard [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1950 |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] Wood | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR Richard [illegible] Mills | Apr 195[illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR James W. [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Nov 195[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AD-4 | Sep 195[illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | Jan 195[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 1952 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 1953 | [illegible] 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jul 1957 | [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | F | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| KPUC | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | 27 Jul [illegible] |
| KSM | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | 27 Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | 27 Jul [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA-46

## Lineage

[illegible] (VA-46) [illegible]

Disestablished on 30 June 1991. The first squadron [illegible] the [illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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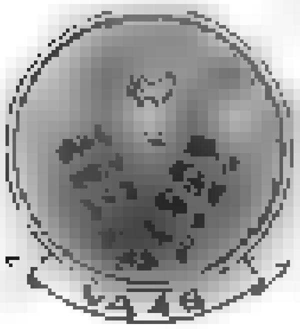

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

4 Jul 1956: [illegible]

6 Nov 1956: [illegible]

Aug 1965: [illegible]

25 Jul 1967: [illegible]

29 Jul 1967: [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Sep 1973: [illegible]

[illegible]

22 Nov 1975: [illegible]

19 Sep 1985: [illegible]

8 Apr 1986: [illegible]

Sep [illegible] 1990 and Dec 1990–Jan 1991: [illegible]

Jan 1991: [illegible]

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Beach | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Alfred [illegible] Hall, Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR Joseph [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] Jr. | Dec [illegible] |
| CDR W. [illegible] Sells | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| CDR R. P. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] F. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Alan [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Walters | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Reynolds | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Tucker | [illegible] |
| CDR Ronald R. [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Edward F. [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Page | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR Phillip [illegible] Boone | [illegible] |
| CDR Thomas [illegible] Temple, Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR Thomas R. [illegible] III | [illegible] |
| CDR John W. Peterson | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] M. [illegible] Jr. | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Edward [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Fitzgerald | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] 1955 |
| [illegible] | Aug 1955 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | 15 Feb 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1959 | CVG-6 | CVA 17 | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] | CVA 42 | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 15 [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug 1985 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 15 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

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### Air Wing Assignments—Continued

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[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 1 Jul 1978 | | 30 [illegible] 197[illegible] | |
| | 1 Jul 1980 | | 31 Dec 198[illegible] | |
| | 1 Jan 1986 | | 31 Dec 1986 | |
| | 1 Jan 1988 | | 31 Dec 1989 | |
| [illegible] | 29 Sep 1970 | | [illegible] 197[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 197[illegible] | | [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | | [illegible] Dec 198[illegible] | |
| | 8 Aug 1985 | | 20 [illegible] 198[illegible] | |
| [illegible] | 1 Jan 198[illegible] | | 3 Jan 198[illegible] | |
| | 10 Jan 198[illegible] | | 31 Jan 198[illegible] | |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Jan 1980 | | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1980 | | [illegible] Jan 198[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | | [illegible] 198[illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1980 | | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Aug 1982 | | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | |
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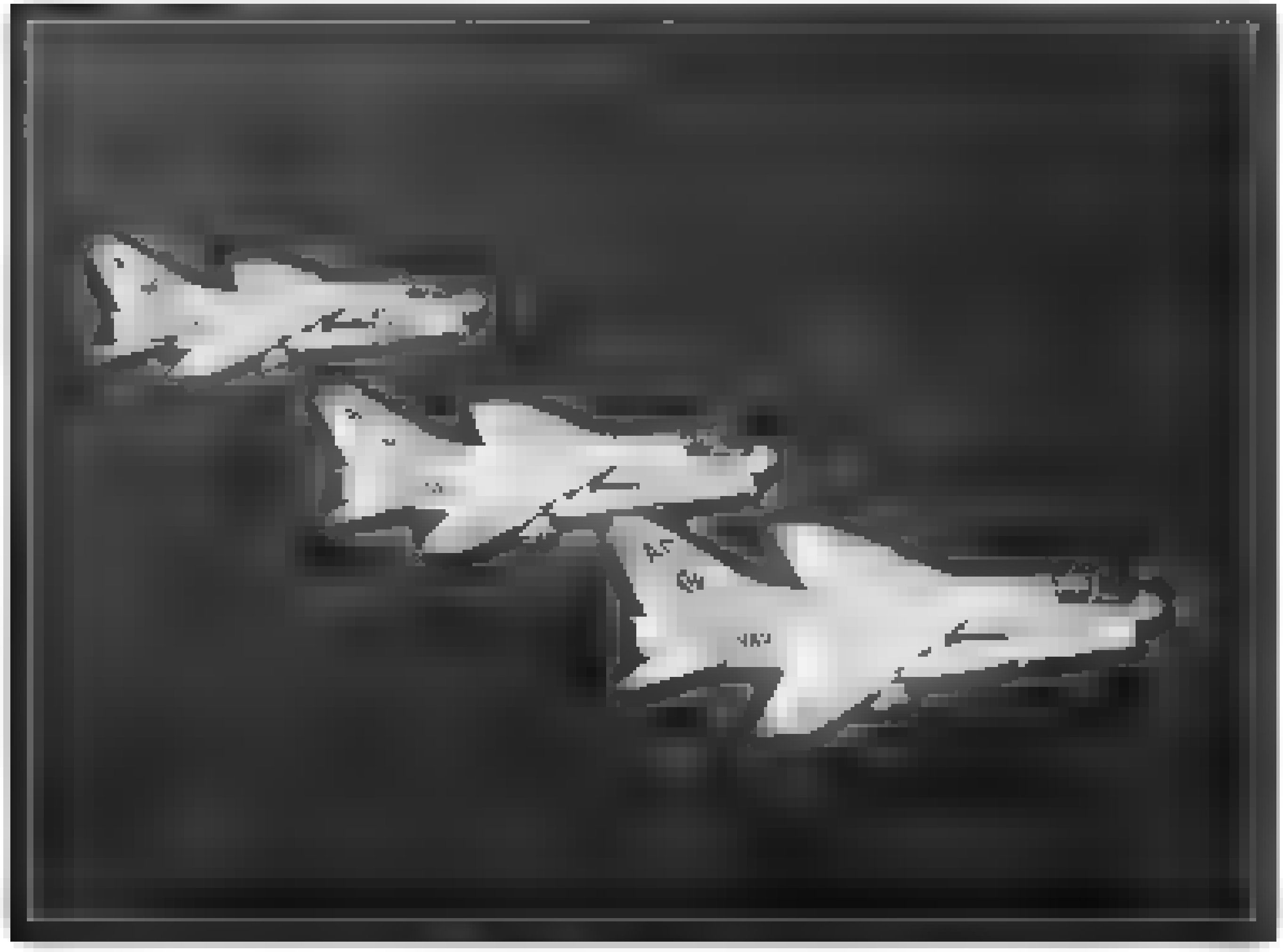

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# VA-52

## Lineage

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the night, two destroyers o[illegible]

[illegible] Edmondson and Lieutenant Jere A. Barton reported gun flashes and bursts of light at their altitude which [illegible]

[illegible] intrepidity during rescue missions in the Republic of Vietnam [illegible]

21 Apr 1966 The squadron completed its second [illegible]

9 Mar 1967 Commander John P. Wanamaker [illegible] intrepidity during operations against North Vietna[illegible]

[illegible] the completion of her third com[illegible] During this deployment [illegible]

7 Sep 1968 VA-52 deployed aboard Coral Sea (CVA [illegible]

[illegible] Alpha strikes (large coordinated attacks), mine seeding [illegible]

27 Jun 1972 VA-52 flew special single [illegible] night missions designated Sneaky Pete as part of [illegible]

25 Nov 1974 VA-52 deployed with CVW [illegible] aboard [illegible] hannel Jezebel Relay pods [illegible] and Vietnamese boat people. A total of [illegible] people

were rescued through the efforts of the air wing and Kitty Hawk. The rescue operations continued the next day.

27 Oct 1979: South Korean President Park Chung Hee was assassinated. Kitty Hawk immediately departed the Philippine Sea for the southwest coast of Korea where she remained until 4 November.

29 Oct 1979: During operations off Kitty Hawk, the squadron's commanding officer, Commander Walter [illegible] Williams, was lost at sea in a KA-6D.

4 Dec 1979–25 Jun 1980: After the assault on the American Embassy in Tehran, Iran, and the taking of hostages on 4 November 1979, Kitty Hawk entered the Indian Ocean and operated in the Arabian Sea throughout the period.

[illegible] May 1980: While transiting the South China Sea, [illegible] it spotted a small boat with [illegible] Vietnamese refugees on board and reported their location for rescue operations.

[illegible] Oct 1983: [illegible] with [illegible] were kept on station in the Sea of Japan after the attempted assassination of South Korea's president.

[illegible] Aug 1985: [illegible] participated in the first [illegible] operations in the Bering Sea since World War II. During these operations [illegible] sorties were made under adverse weather conditions.

[illegible] Jan 1987: [illegible] conducted its second period of operations in the Northern Pacific near the Bering Sea. At one point [illegible] freezing snow and sea [illegible] flight [illegible] from the squadron's aircraft.

24 Sep 1987: During night operations [illegible] the squadron's commanding officer, Commander [illegible] Sledge, was lost at sea.

Aug 1988: The squadron flew sorties in support of Operation Earnest Will, the escorting of reflagged Kuwaiti tankers in the Persian Gulf.

Squadron [illegible] Korea.

## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS Seattle | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | 28 Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Miramar | [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Frederick W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] English | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Edmondson | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Walter [illegible] Williams | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sledge | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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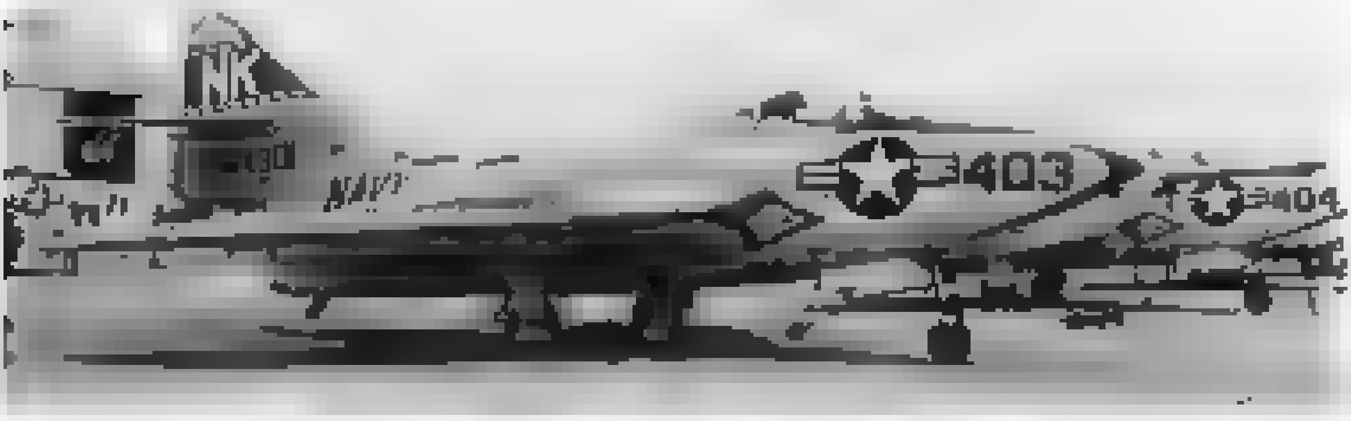

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F4U-4 | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Aug 1951 | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F4U-4 | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Feb 1954 | [illegible] Aug 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Jun 1955 | [illegible] Feb 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1957 | [illegible] Jul 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1958 | [illegible] Aug 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan 1960 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| 13 Apr 1964 | 06 Dec 1964 | CVW-5 | CVA 14 | A-1H/J | WestPac |
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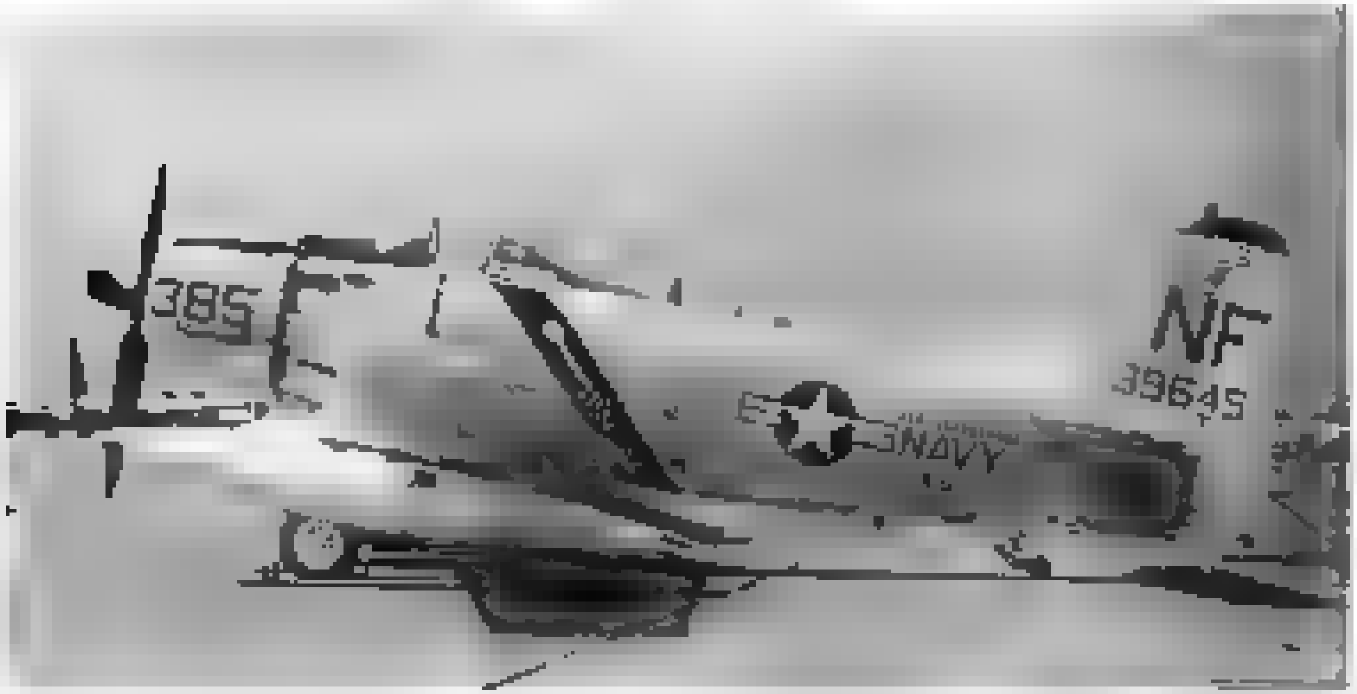

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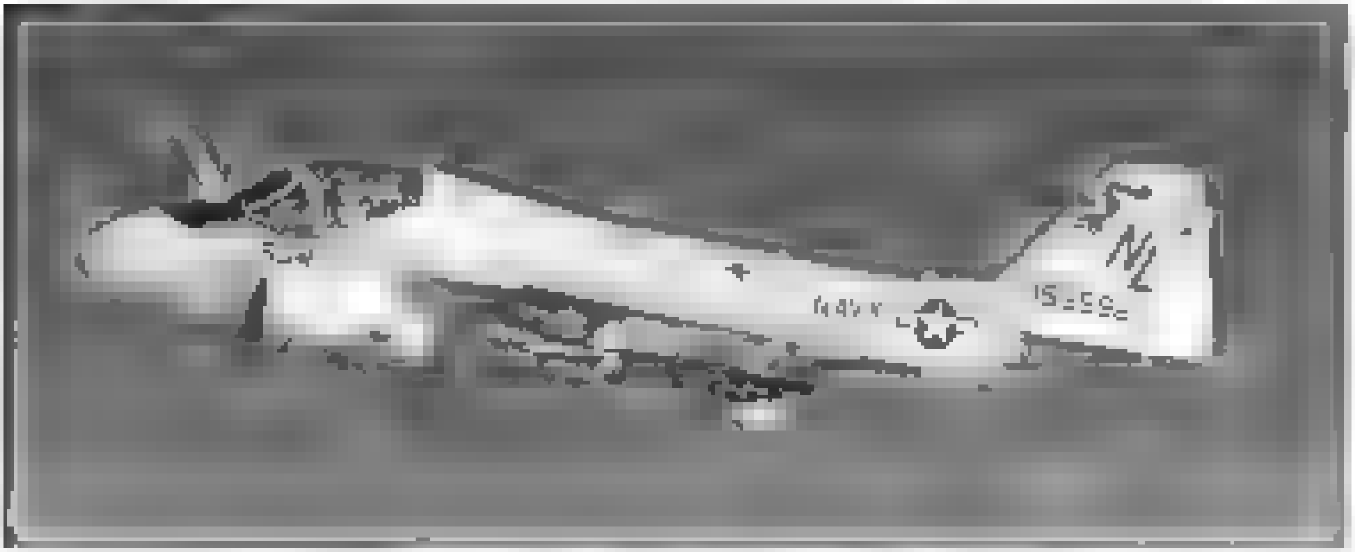

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# VA-54

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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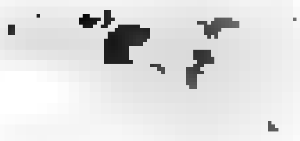

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**Aug 1942:** [illegible] and the other squadrons in Saratoga's air group provided air support for the landings on Guadalcanal.

**24–25 Aug 1942:** [illegible] participated in the Battle of Eastern Solomons along with other squadrons in the Saratoga air group. [illegible] sank the Japanese carrier Ryujo. Enterprise [illegible] then attacked the Ryujo. Lieutenant [illegible] and ten of the SBDs attacked a Japanese flight of four [illegible] Japanese [illegible] bombers, downing three and damaging the fourth.

**Sep–Nov 1942:** [illegible] operated from Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides, until its return to [illegible] in December.

**Dec 1942–Jul 1943:** VB-5 departed Norfolk and [illegible] Yorktown [illegible] the Panama zone.

**31 Aug 1943:** VB-5 embarked in Yorktown participated in strikes against Marcus Island.

**5–6 Oct 1943:** The squadron participated in a raid on Wake Island.

**Nov–Dec 1943:** VB-5 participated in operations against the Gilberts in support of the landings on Tarawa and Makin as well as strikes against the [illegible].

**Jan–Feb 1944:** The squadron flew strikes against the Marshall Islands and provided air support for the invasion of the Marshalls.

**16–17 Feb 1944:** VB-5, along with other squadrons in Air Group 5, flew strikes against the Japanese stronghold of Truk.

**22 Feb 1944:** [illegible] including VB-5 raided the Marianas, hitting targets on Saipan.

**30 Mar–1 Apr 1944:** VB-5 SBDs struck ships and facilities at Palau in the Caroline Islands.

**21–22 Apr 1944:** Strikes were flown by VB-5 against targets on Wakde, Sawar and Hollandia in New Guinea. These operations were in support of the landings at Hollandia by General Douglas MacArthur's forces.

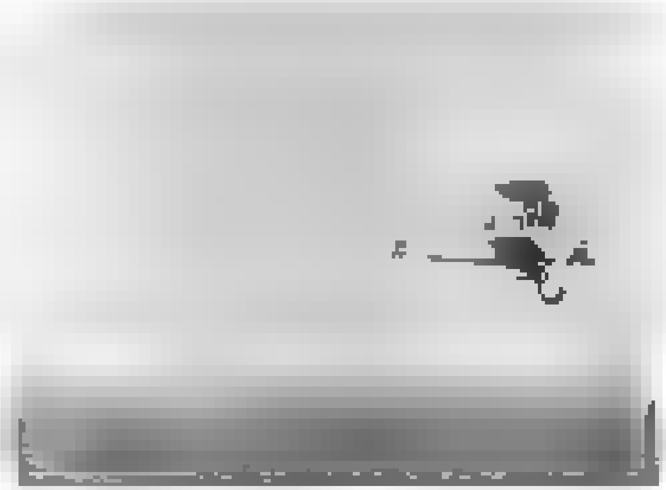
**29–30 Apr 1944:** VB-5 conducted another strike operation against Truk.

**14 May 1944:** Following a ten-month combat tour, which began in August [illegible], Air Group [illegible] was relieved [illegible] and the air group, including VB-5, returned to [illegible].

**15 Feb 1945:** [illegible] with VB-5 embarked [illegible] Franklin [illegible] and destroyers [illegible] Hawaii, arriving there on [illegible] February. This was the beginning of the squadron's second major combat tour in the Pacific.

**19 Mar 1945:** During the conduct of [illegible] including SB2Cs from VB-5, for an attack against the city of Kobe, Japan, the Franklin was hit by [illegible] bombs from a Japanese aircraft. Fires were ignited on the hangar deck [illegible] from the first bomb and the second triggered explosions on the [illegible]. All [illegible] aircraft on the [illegible] were destroyed. The damage was one of the most extensive experienced by an Essex-class carrier during World War II. A total of [illegible] were killed and [illegible] wounded. [illegible] personnel were [illegible] and [illegible] in the water were picked up by destroyers.

**May 1949:** [illegible] and the [illegible] squadrons to operate the SB2C and [illegible]. The squadron completed its Operational Readiness Inspection [illegible] and the [illegible] operational flight of the SB2C.



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### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
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| NAS San Diego | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides | Sep 1942 |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
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| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Norfolk | Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Pearl Harbor | Jul 1945 |
| NAS Barbers Point | Sep 1945 |
| NAS Puunene | [illegible] 1945 |
| NAS Hilo | Oct 1945 |
| NAS Kaneohe | Oct 1945 |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| NAAS Fallon | 25 Jul [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAAS Santa Rosa | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Klamath Falls | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS Pasco | [illegible] |
| NAAS Brown Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
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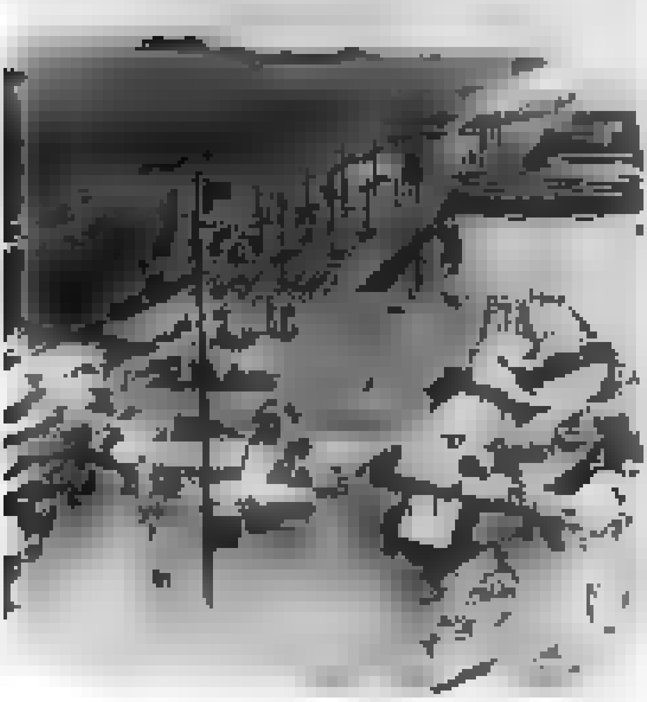

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| LT Ernest E. Sherman (acting) | [illegible] Jul 192[illegible] |
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| LT Ernest E. Sherman (acting) | Apr 192[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Watson | Jun 192[illegible] |
| LCDR Adolph E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| LT Robert E. [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Rowe | Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Dec 19[illegible] |
| LT [illegible] Martin (acting) | Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Felix B. Stump | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR John F. [illegible] | Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Frederick W. [illegible] | Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | |
| LCDR Smith | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | Mar 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Edgar E. [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR John [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| LT [illegible] W. [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| LTJG F. [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR Paul [illegible] Knapp | 25 Jun 1945 |
| LT Eugene [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| LTJG N. M. [illegible] (Acting) | 07 Sep 1945 |
| LCDR Howard L. [illegible] (Acting) | 08 Sep 1945 |
| [illegible] Allen [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| LCDR Walter E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Willard E. [illegible] (Acting) | Jan 19[illegible] |
| CDR Edgar S. [illegible] | Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR R. [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| LCDR D. K. English | 08 Apr 19[illegible] |

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## Aircraft Assignment

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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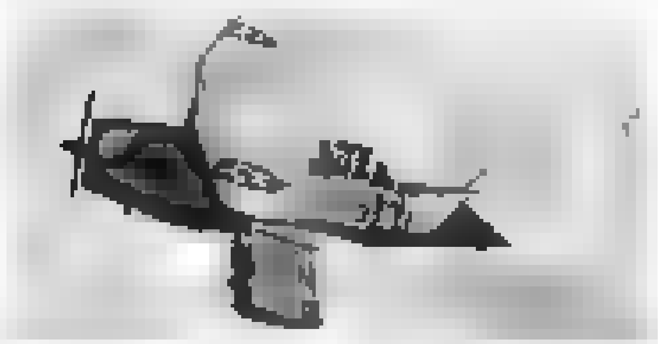

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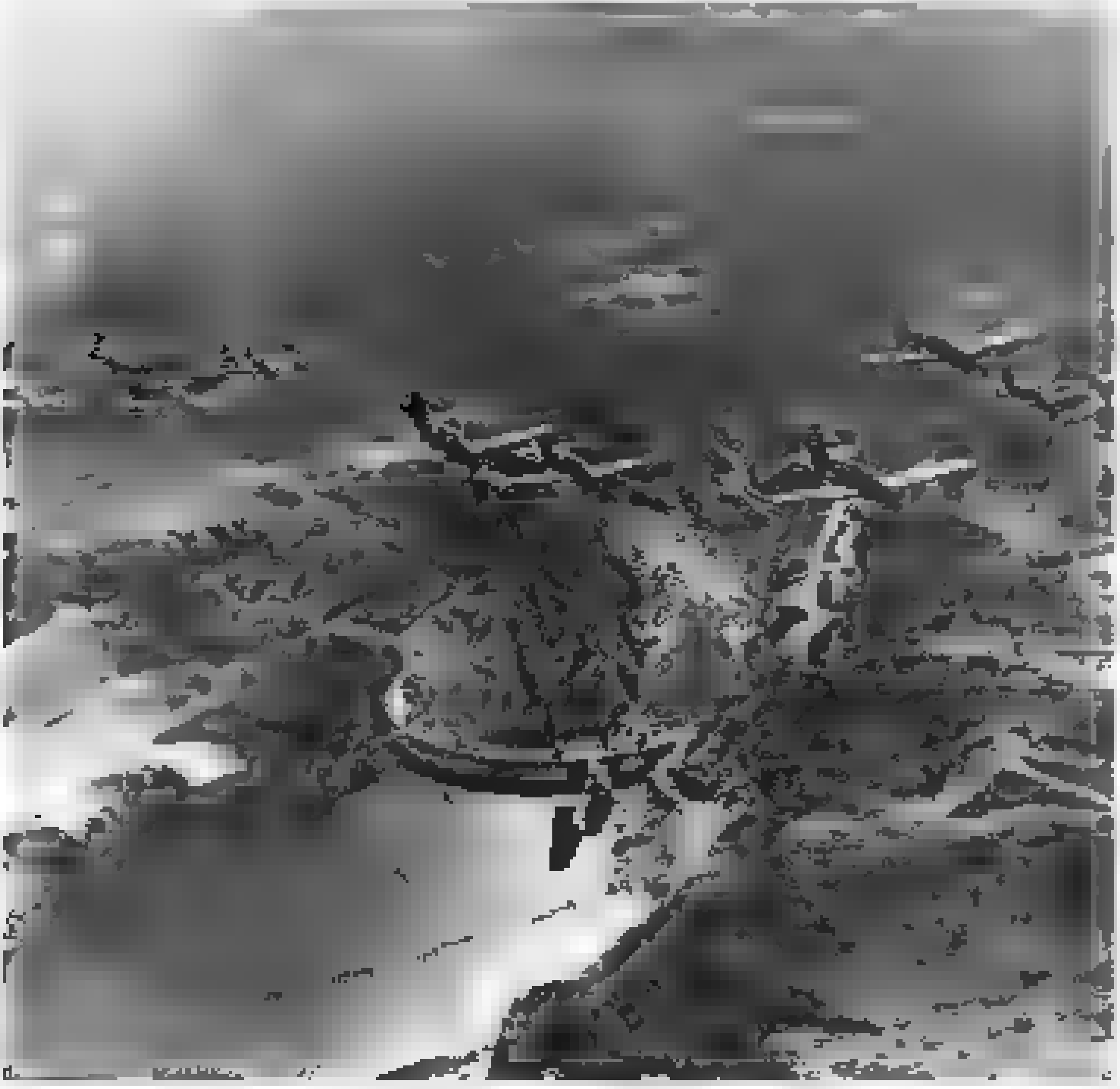

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# SECOND VA-54

## Lineage

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## Home Port Assignments

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| NAS Miramar | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
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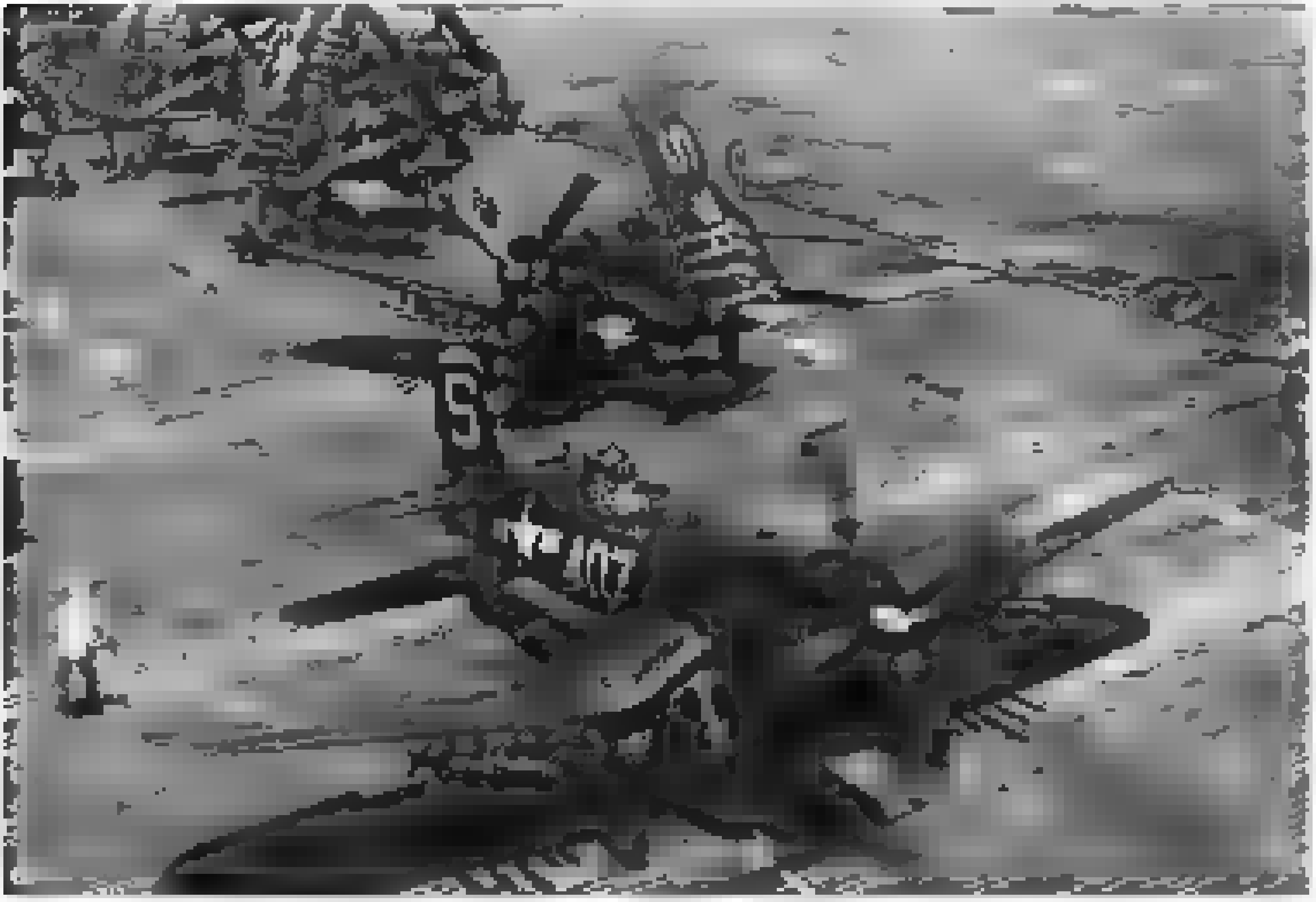

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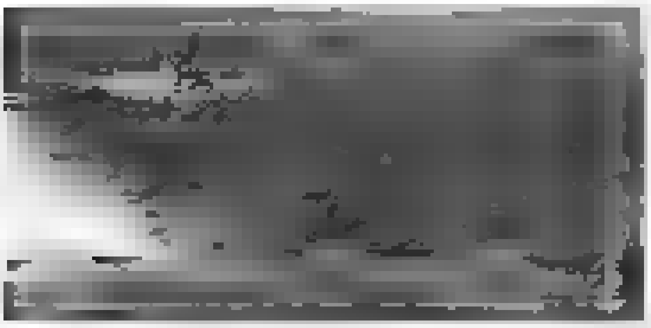

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### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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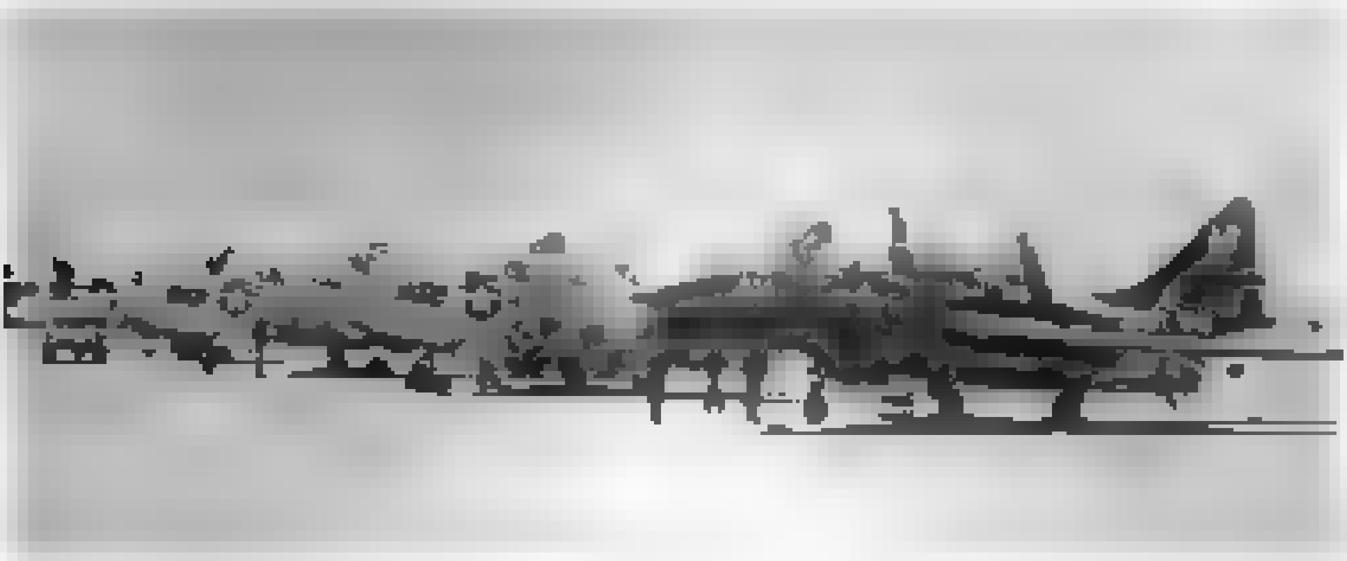
[illegible]

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 01 Jul 1948 | 30 Jun 1949 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1950 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1952 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1950 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 30 Dec 1952 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] 1952 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1950 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |



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# VA-55

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

the squadron's second major combat tour in the [illegible]

[illegible] Mar [illegible] craft for an attack against the city of Kobe, Japan. [illegible]

12 Sep 1950 Pre-invasion strikes against targets in [illegible]

[illegible] replaced VA-195 in Air Group 19 and proceeded to [illegible]

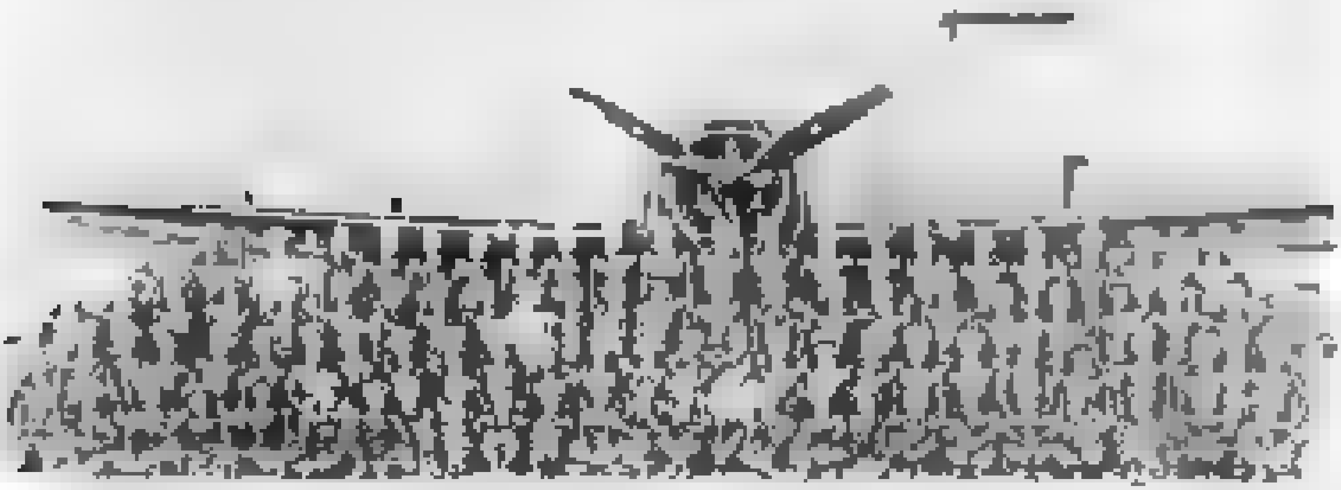
Sep 1958 Operated in the Formosa Straits during [illegible]

deployed to the So[illegible] returned [illegible]

[illegible] returned to the United States in 19[illegible]

May 1972 Participated in the early phase of opera[illegible]

[illegible] Operation End Sweep, the clea[illegible]



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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Norfolk (NAAF Pungo) | Feb [illegible] |
| Enroute | Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Mar [illegible] |
| NAAS Monterey | June [illegible] |
| NAAS Santa Rosa | Jul [illegible] |
| Enroute | Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Seattle | Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Klamath Falls | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS Pasco | [illegible] |
| NAAS Brown Field, Chula Vista | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Richard [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR Allan [illegible] Edmands | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] June [illegible] |
| LT William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Allard [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Thomas [illegible] Jr. | Dec [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 12 Aug 1945 | 07 Sep 1945 | CVG-5 | [illegible] | TBF | Pacific |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | TBF | Pacific |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | TBF-[illegible] | Pacific |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | TBF-[illegible] | Pacific |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | TBF-[illegible] | Pacific |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | TBM-3E/QM | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | AD-4/4Q | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] May 1951 | 29 Aug 1951 | CVG-19 | [illegible] | AD-4/4Q/4W | WestPac/Korea |
| 10 Jun 1952 | 06 Feb 1953 | ATG-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | ATG-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 01 Apr 1955 | [illegible] Nov 1955 | ATG-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 06 Apr 1957 | 18 Sep 1957 | ATG-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 21 Aug 1958 | 12 Jan 1959 | ATG-4 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] 5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 14 Apr 1964 | 15 Dec 1964 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 10 Dec 1965 | 25 Aug 1966 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 29 Apr 1967 | 04 Dec 1967 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 02 Aug 1969 | 15 Apr 1970 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 22 Oct 1970 | 03 Jun 1971 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-5 | S | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CVG-19 | B | [illegible] |
| ATG-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CVG-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| ATG-4 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CVG-5/CVW-5 | NF | 19 Jan 1959 |
| CVW-14 | NK | 03 Jun 1965 |
| CVW-2 | NE | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |

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[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 01 Jul 1948 | 30 Jun 1949 |
| | 01 Jul 1949 | 30 Jun 1950 |
| | 1965 | 1966 |
| AFEM | 02 Aug 1964 | 05 Aug 1964 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1964 | 22 Sep 1964 |
| | [illegible] Oct 1964 | 29 Oct 1964 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | |
| | 03 Jun 1970 | 08 Jun 1970 |
| | 12 Feb 1970 | 25 Feb 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1969 | 31 Mar 1970 |
| | 20 Nov 1970 | 07 Mar 1971 |
| [illegible] | 02 Aug 1964 | 05 Aug 1964 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 01 Aug 1968 | 23 Feb 1969 |
| | 08 Feb 1972 | [illegible] Sep 1972 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| RV[illegible] | 30 Jan 1972 | 5 Jul 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 5 Jan 1966 | [illegible] Feb 1966 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1966 | 12 Mar 1966 |
| | 30 Mar 1966 | [illegible] Jun 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] | 25 Jul 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Oct 196[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 1968 | [illegible] Sep 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | 29 Jan 1969 | [illegible] Feb 1969 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1969 | [illegible] Sep 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] Dec 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1970 | [illegible] Feb 1970 |
| | [illegible] Mar 1970 | [illegible] Mar 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Dec 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Jan 1971 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1971 | [illegible] 1971 |
| | [illegible] Mar 1971 | [illegible] Apr 1971 |
| | [illegible] Apr 1971 | [illegible] May 1971 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1972 | [illegible] Mar 1972 |
| | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Mar 1972 | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1972 | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 1972 | [illegible] June 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 1972 | [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| | 29 Mar 19[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| Campaign Medal | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] | |
| Asiatic-Pacific | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| KSM | [illegible] Jun 1950 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| | 29 Mar 195[illegible] | [illegible] June 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1950 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
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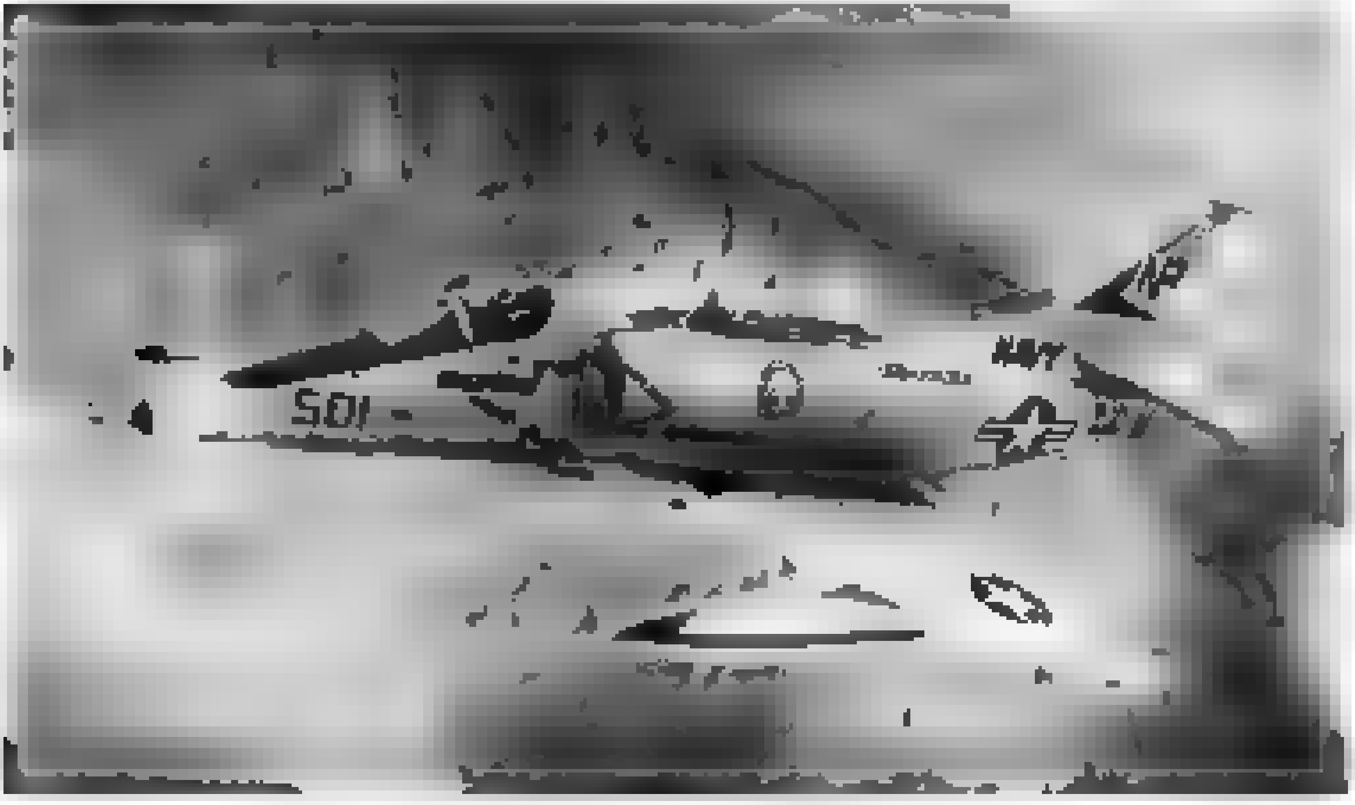
| | 30 Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |



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## SECOND VA-55

### Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron FIFTY FIVE (VA-55) on 3 January 1983.

Disestablished on 1 January 1991. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-55 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia [illegible] VA-55 [illegible]

The squadron adopted the insignia used by the first VA-55. It was approved [illegible] 1956. Colors for the flying seahorse were alternating white and dark green squares, [illegible] insignia the upper half of the insignia was light blue and the lower half dark blue; the waves were highlighted in white; the seahorse was light green [illegible] with white and dark green markings; the wings were gold with dark green markings; the flame from the seahorse's nostrils were red, shadowed in yellow; and the eye was white with a red eye.

Nickname: Warhorses, 1983–1991.

### Chronology of Significant Events

25 Mar 1986: Due to the intrusion of a hostile [illegible] the squadron aircraft attacked [illegible] guided missile [illegible] and Rockeye cluster bombs. The Libyan vessel was damaged in the attack and then sunk [illegible] squadron operating [illegible]

14–15 Apr 1986: [illegible] the squadron's Intruders [illegible] attack against Libya. [illegible] Benghazi [illegible] parked [illegible] were destroyed and the [illegible] equipment and [illegible] were damaged. [illegible] in response to [illegible] terrorist [illegible] servicemen were killed.

Aug–Sep 1989: [illegible] the [illegible] following the [illegible] William R. Higgins and the [illegible] from [illegible] The unstable situation in [illegible] the evacuation of the [illegible] Embassy. Squadron aircraft flew missions in support of the evacuation.

2 Feb 1990: The squadron held a disestablishment ceremony at NAS Oceana. It was officially disestablished on 1 January 1991.

### Home Port Assignment

| Home Port | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Oceana | 3 Jan 1983 |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Stan W. [illegible] | 3 Jan 1983 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] White | [illegible] Jul 1984 |
| CDR Walter [illegible] | 5 Jan 1986 |
| CDR Ralph E. [illegible] | 10 Jul 1987 |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | 7 Jan 1989 |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-6E | Jan 1983 |
| KA-6D | Feb 1983 |

### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] 1985 | CVW-13 | CV-43 | A-6E, KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] May 1986 | CVW-13 | CV-43 | A-6E | Med |
| [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] Sep 1989 | CVW-13 | CV-43 | A-6E | Med |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| MEDATKWING* | | Jan 1983 |
| CVW-13 | AK | [illegible] 1984 |

* [illegible]

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covered | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | Jan 1985 | Dec 1985 |
| | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] 1986 |
| MUC | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] 1986 |
| NE | [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] 1989 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Jan 1986 | [illegible] Apr 1986 |
| AFEM | 20 Jan 1986 | [illegible] Jun 1986 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1985 | [illegible] Dec 1985 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1988 | [illegible] [illegible] 198[illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA 56

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

on 23 January [illegible]

19 Jun 1968 [illegible]

[illegible]

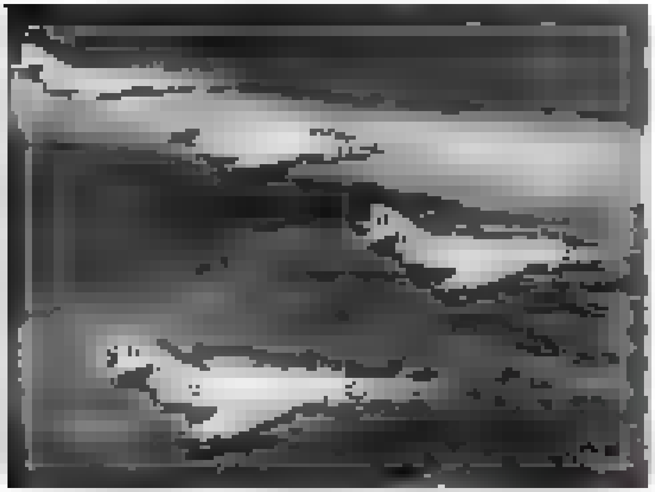
**Apr–May 1979:** [illegible] With [illegible] embarked, headed to the Gulf of Aden to relieve [illegible] and maintain a [illegible] after the [illegible] following the [illegible] between North and South Yemen and the fall of the Shah of Iran.

**Oct 1979:** [illegible] response to [illegible] American [illegible] in [illegible] and [illegible], including [illegible], were ordered to deploy to the Indian Ocean for the second time in 1979.

**Nov 1979–Feb 1980:** Following the seizure of the American Embassy in Teheran and the taking of American hostages, [illegible] Indian Ocean [illegible] and remained in [illegible] until relieved in early February 1980.

**May–Jun 1980:** [illegible] with [illegible] embarked, operated off the coast of Korea due to the [illegible] in South Korea and the [illegible] several hundred people in the town of [illegible].

**Mar 1986:** The squadron's home port changed to NAS Lemoore as a result of the change [illegible] It began the transfer of its personnel and aircraft in preparation for the disestablishment of the squadron on [illegible] August.



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## Home Port Assignments

| Home Port | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Miramar | 1? Jun 1956 |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| N[illegible] Yokosuka, Japan* | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | Mar 1986 |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Ri[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1956 |
| LCDR [illegible] Mitchell | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Walker | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Poole | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James A. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Gerald [illegible] Campbell | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Smith [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Peter W. Sherman | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR Joseph E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR John W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Williams | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR Ronald [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Stafford | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR Robert E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Roger [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR Edwin E. [illegible] III | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Paul [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Peterson | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |

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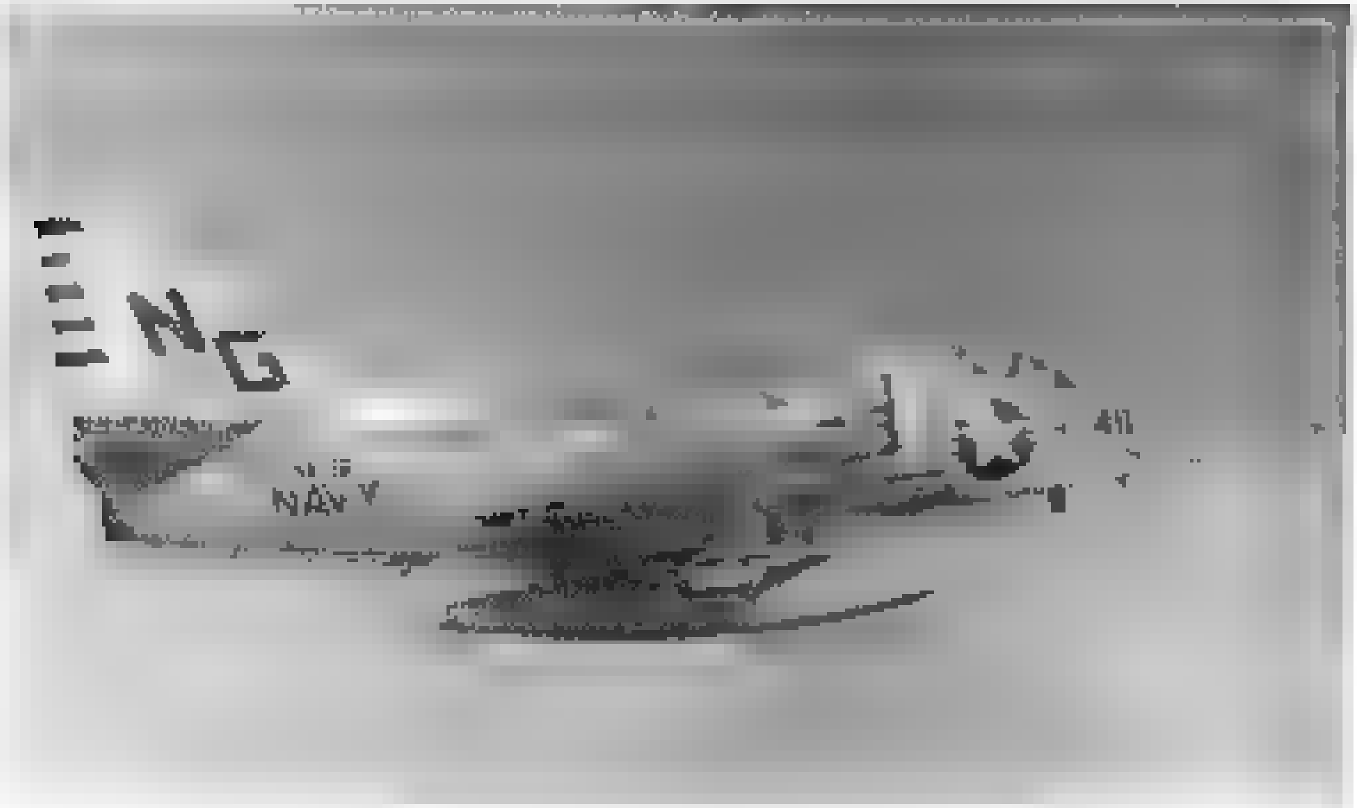

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## *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jul 1957 | [illegible] Dec 1957 | [illegible]-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1959 | [illegible] 1959 | [illegible]-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1960 | [illegible] 1960 | [illegible]-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] Jul 1961 | [illegible]-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1963 | [illegible] 1963 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 1965 | [illegible] 1966 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] Jul 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] Jul 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] Jun 1970 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 16 Apr 197[illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 10 Apr 1972 | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 1974 | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] 1976 | [illegible] Apr 1976 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1976 | [illegible] Jun 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] | 04 Aug 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] 1977 | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 19 Apr 1977 | [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Sep 1977 | [illegible] Oct 1977 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac, IO |
| [illegible] Apr 197[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| 20 [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] Oct 1978 | CVW | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1979 | 5 Feb 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1979 | 18 Jun 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | IO |
| 30 Aug 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| 30 Sep 1979 | 27 Feb 1980 | CVW | [illegible] | A-6E | IO |
| [illegible] Jul 1980 | 25 [illegible] 1980 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac, IO |
| [illegible] Feb 1981 | [illegible] Jun 1981 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac, IO |
| 30 Jun 1981 | [illegible] Jul 1981 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1981 | [illegible] | CVW | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| 30 Apr 1982 | 18 Jun 1982 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1982 | [illegible] Oct 1982 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | NorPac, WestPac |
| 02 Jun 1983 | [illegible] Aug 1983 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| 15 [illegible] | [illegible] Oct 1983 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| 28 Oct 1983 | [illegible] Mar 198[illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | IO |
| 15 [illegible] | 2[illegible] Oct 1984 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | IO, WestPac |
| 5 [illegible] 1985 | 2[illegible] Oct 1985 | CVW | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] Mar 1986 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | NF | 01 Jun 195[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | NF | 01 Jul 196[illegible] |
| COMFAIRALAMEDA | | Oct 1968 |
| CVW-2 | NE | 09 Jun 1969 |
| CVW-5 | NF | 01 Jun 197[illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 01 Jul 1970 | 30 Jun 1971 |
| | 01 Jul 197[illegible] | 3[illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] Sep 1965 | 30 [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 1965 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | 1[illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | 2[illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | 02 [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 2[illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 1975 | [illegible] Apr 1975 |
| | 29 Apr 1975 | 30 Apr 1975 |
| [illegible]SM | 29 [illegible] 1975 | 30 Apr 197[illegible] |
| MU[illegible] | 2[illegible] 1969 | 2[illegible] 197[illegible] |
| | 1[illegible] 197[illegible] | 30 [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| | 01 [illegible] 1978 | 31 [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1979 | 1[illegible] Feb 198[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | 01 [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| NEM | [illegible] 1979 | 1[illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1979 | 1[illegible] Feb 198[illegible] |
| | 1[illegible] Aug 1980 | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| | 2[illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| NU[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | 1[illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| | 1[illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1968 | 30 Jun 196[illegible] |
| | 29 [illegible] 1975 | 30 Apr 197[illegible] |
| | 01 [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] | 1[illegible] Feb 197[illegible] |
| R[illegible] | 30 [illegible] 197[illegible] | 5 Jul 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 01 Dec 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | 22 Jan 1966 | 16 Feb 1966 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 26 Jan 1966 | | [illegible] Jan 1967 |
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| | 30 Jan 1967 | | 8 Apr 1968 |
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| | [illegible] Jun 1967 | | [illegible] Jun 1968 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1968 | | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | 30 Jan 1968 | | 2[illegible] Apr 1969 |
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| | 1[illegible] Jul 1972 | | [illegible] June 1973 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1972 | | 1[illegible] [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] [illegible] 1972 | | [illegible] [illegible] 1973 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1977 | | [illegible] Dec 1972 |
| | [illegible] [illegible] 1977 | | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1977 | | [illegible] Jan 1977 |
| | 15 Jan 1968 | | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | 10 Jan 1968 | | 7 Jun 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1969 | | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1969 | | 1[illegible] Jan 1969 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1[illegible] Jan 1969 | | [illegible] Apr 1969 |
| | 1[illegible] [illegible] 1969 | | 1[illegible] Dec 1969 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1969 | | [illegible] Jan 1970 |
| | 29 Jan 1970 | | 1[illegible] Feb 1970 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1970 | | 4 Jan 1970 |
| | 1[illegible] Jan 1970 | | [illegible] Jan 1970 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1971 | | 10 Jun 1971 |
| | 8 Jun 1971 | | 20 Jul 1971 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1971 | | [illegible] June 1971 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1971 | | [illegible] [illegible] 1971 |
| | 1[illegible] Jan 1972 | | 1[illegible] Jun 1973 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1972 | | 1[illegible] Jul 1972 |
| | 10 Jul 1972 | | [illegible] June 1973 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1972 | | 1[illegible] [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] [illegible] 1972 | | [illegible] [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1977 | | [illegible] Dec 1973 |
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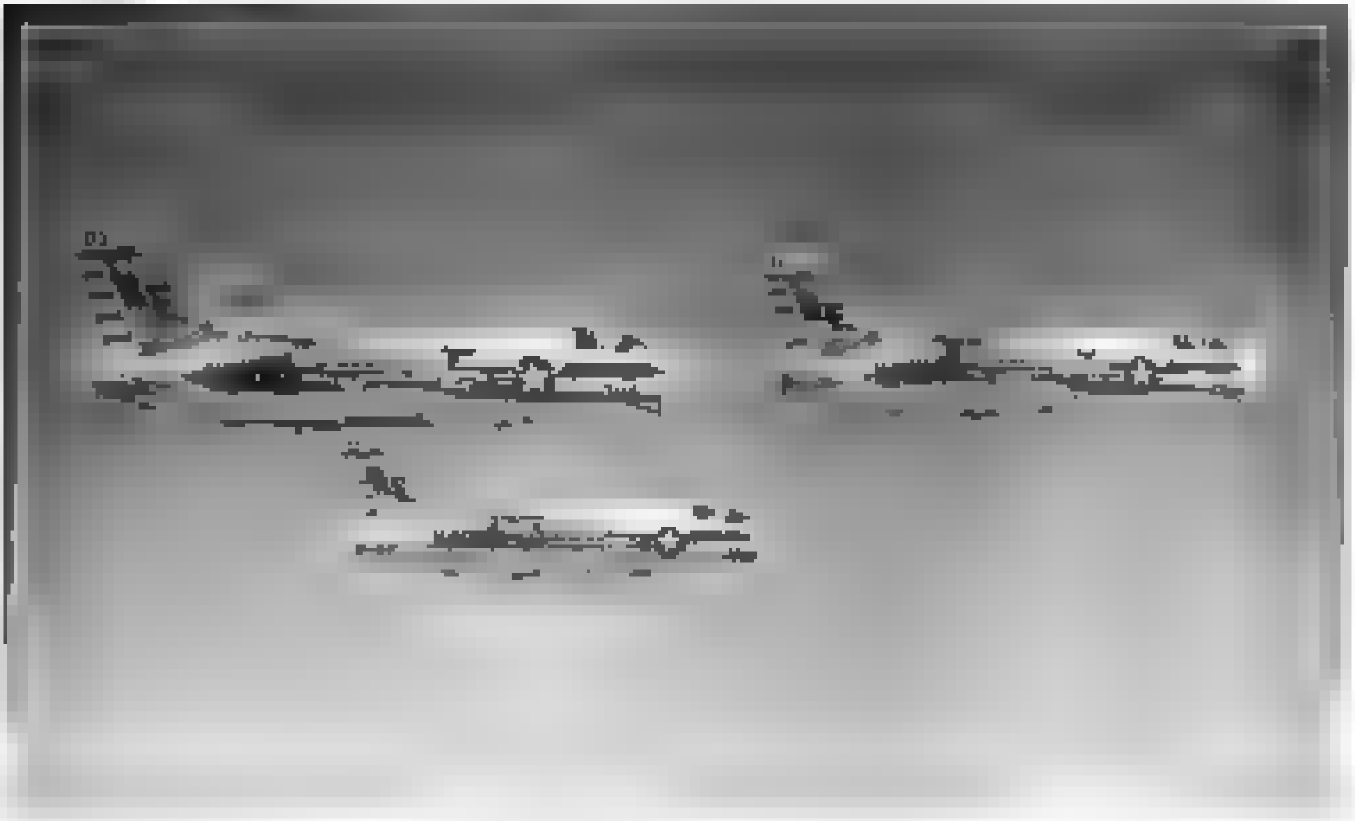

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# SECOND VA-64

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron SIXTY FOUR (VA-64) on [illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] November [illegible]. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-64 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible]. Colors for the insignia were: a

VA-64's Black Lancer's insignia.

white background outlined in black, the knight's helmet was black with white markings and red plumage and the scroll had a white background outlined in black with black lettering.

Nickname: Black Lancers, [illegible].

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Feb–Jun 1962:** A detachment of [illegible] provided air defense capability for the [illegible] deployed aboard Wasp [illegible] for a North Atlantic cruise. The detachment's aircraft were changed to [illegible] in August [illegible]. Lieutenant Commander [illegible] served as officer in charge of the detachment during the cruise.

**Oct–Nov 1962:** The squadron was embarked in Independence [illegible] operating in the Caribbean area in support of the Cuban Quarantine.

**8 Nov–5 Dec 1962:** In mid November, in an unusual situation, VA-64 switched places with [illegible] and embarked in Enterprise [illegible]. The complements of both squadrons were lifted between the carriers by helicopter. Following the transfer, the squadron continued its operations in the Caribbean in support of the Cuban Quarantine.

**Mar 1964:** The squadron conducted operations in the [illegible] with [illegible] research and [illegible] units.

**Jul–Sep 1964:** The squadron, during its operations, [illegible] the [illegible] nuclear task force [illegible]. The nuclear task force [illegible] without logistic replenishment. The squadron participated in numerous air power demonstrations during the cruise.

**8 Jun 1967:** VA-64 aircraft were part of a strike group that was launched to defend Liberty [illegible] when she came under attack in the eastern Mediterranean. When word was received that the attack had been a mistake on the part of the Israelis, the aircraft were recalled.

**Nov 1968:** The squadron provided an A-4C, [illegible] pilot and seven enlisted personnel to augment the [illegible] detachment aboard Wasp. The detachment provided the ship with a day time air defense capability.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Oceana | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Paul A. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR R. A. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR F. E. Robinson | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] F. Schaefer | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Blum | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR James E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR Keith [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Frank W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Stuart E. [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A4D-2 [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| A4D-2N | [illegible] |

The A4D-2N was redesignated A-4C in [illegible].

[illegible]

## *Major Overseas Deployments—Continued*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 Feb 1963 | Sep 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1964 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible] |
| 4 [illegible] 1965 | 10 Jul 1966 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 10 [illegible] | 2 Sep 1967 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 4 Apr 1968 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| Sep 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |

## *Air Wing Assignments*

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
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## *Unit Awards Received*

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] |

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# SECOND VA-65

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron SEVENTY FOUR (VT-74) on 1 May 1945.

Redesignated Attack Squadron 1B (VA-1B) on 15 November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron TWENTY FIVE (VA-25) on 1 September 1948.

Redesignated Attack Squadron SIXTY FIVE (VA-65) on 1 July 1959.

Disestablished on 31 March 1969. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-65 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] August 1945. During the time when the squadron's insignia was approved it was flying [illegible] and had assumed the "Bear" [illegible]. Consequently the squadron insignia took on the shape of a beast riding a torpedo. There is no record of the colors used on the insignia.

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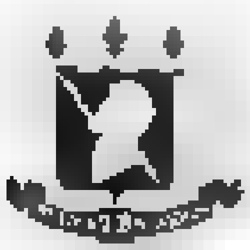

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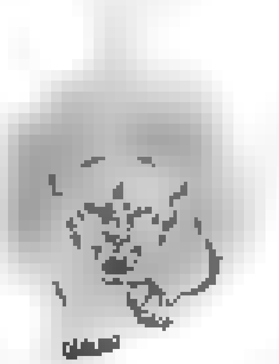

[illegible]

After VT-74 was redesignated VA-1B it continued to use the old insignia until [illegible] April 1947 when CNO approved a new insignia for the squadron. The insignia adopted by VA-1B reflected the squadron's new attack mission. The [illegible] was part of [illegible] designed by [illegible] of the squadron [illegible] more [illegible] colors for the insignia were [illegible] black background [illegible] with yellow lettering [illegible] with a dark [illegible] length with [illegible] and [illegible] was red with a dark base.

The Tiger's insignia continued as the official insignia for the squadron following its redesignation to VA-25 on 1 September 1948. A new insignia for VA-25 was approved by CNO on [illegible] April 1950. The new insignia was [illegible] on the [illegible] colors [illegible] tiger with green eyes and white teeth [illegible] red tongue and mouth. When VA-25 was redesignated VA-65 in 1959 the tiger insignia was retained and remained the insignia until its disestablishment.

Nickname: Tigers, 1950–1969.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Nov 1945: Squadron [illegible] Midway (CVB 41) for the shakedown cruise. The squadron had originally been established for the purpose of being part of the Midway Air Group.

Jul–Aug 1948: The squadron participated in [illegible] aboard [illegible] for [illegible]. During [illegible] the squadron became the first [illegible] unit in the [illegible] Fleet to [illegible].

[illegible] Jun 1950: Following the [illegible] the squadron's aircraft [illegible] the [illegible] in the Republic of Korea following the [illegible].

Aug–Oct 1962: [illegible] was [illegible] of the [illegible] during the deployment [illegible].

[illegible]–6 Dec 1962: VA-65 was aboard [illegible] Enterprise one week after returning from [illegible] for the [illegible] due to the [illegible]. The squadron [illegible] the [illegible] quarantine of [illegible].

31 Jul–3 Oct 1964: The squadron [illegible] Operation Sea Orbit [illegible] part of [illegible]. The operation was [illegible] of [illegible] nuclear powered ships [illegible] without logistic support [illegible] demonstrated [illegible] capability of these ships [illegible] without support.

[illegible] Jun 1965: VA-65 [illegible].

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Yankee Station

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7 Mar 1985 VA-65 and *Dwight D. Eisenh*

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29 Sep 1987 VA-65 deployed to the Mediterranean

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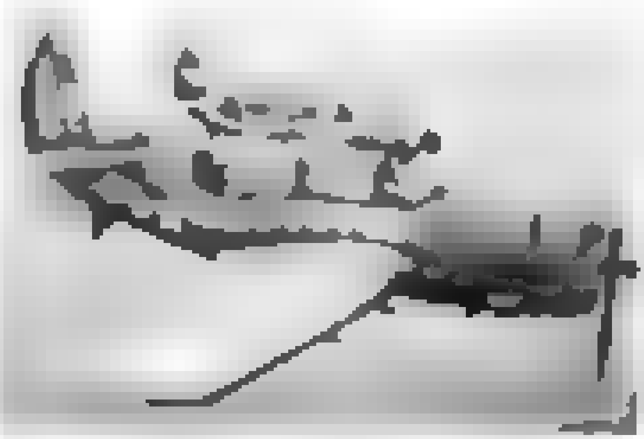

## Home Port Assignments

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## Commanding Officers

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## Commanding Officers—Continued

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## *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
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| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] | CVG-[illegible] | CVB-[illegible] | AD-[illegible] | Med |
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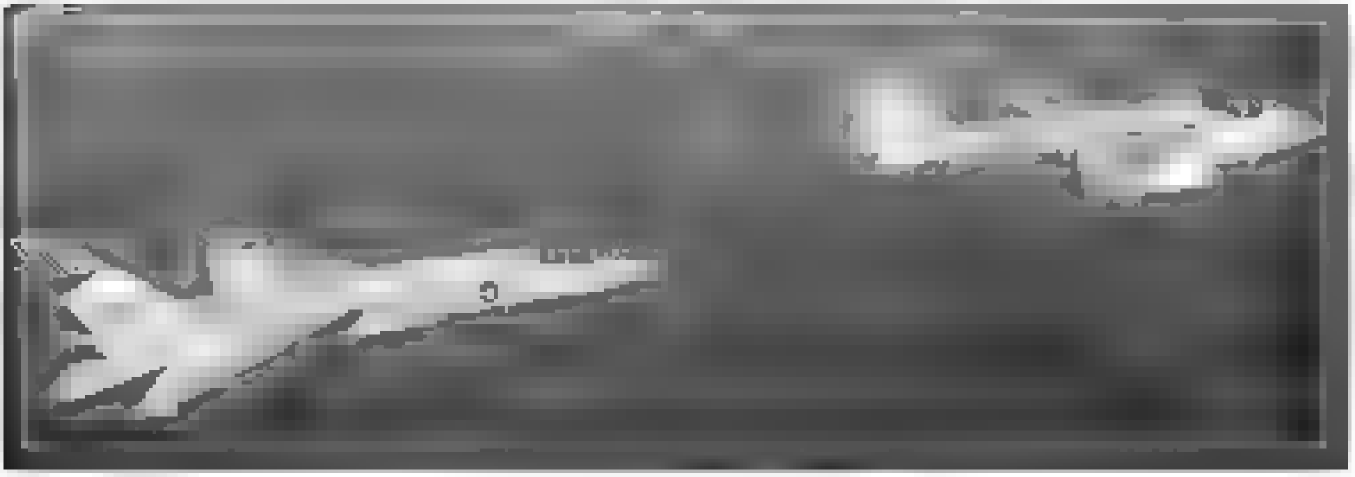

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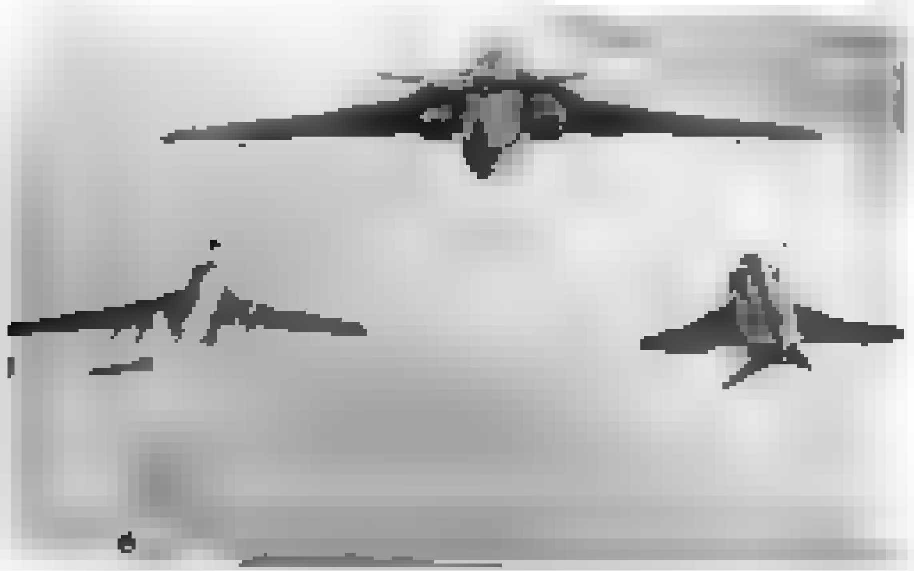

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# SECOND VA-66

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## *Chronology of Significant Events*

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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| [illegible] Feb 1963 | [illegible] Sep 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1964 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible] |
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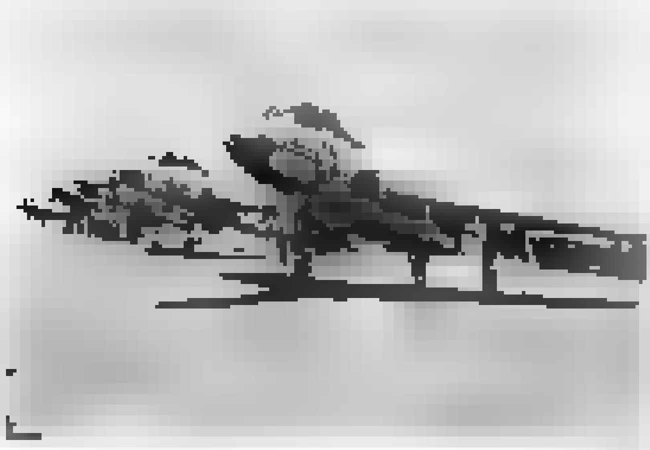

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## Air Wing Assignments—Continued

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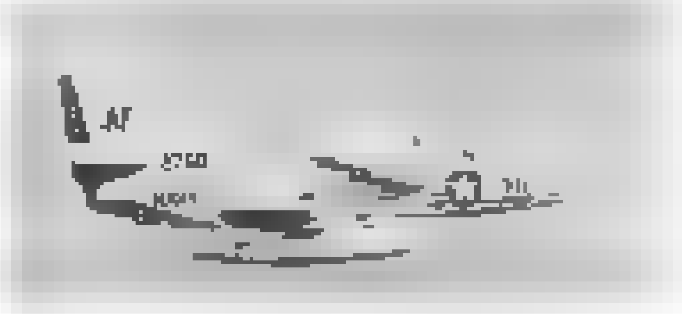

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## Unit Awards Received—Continued

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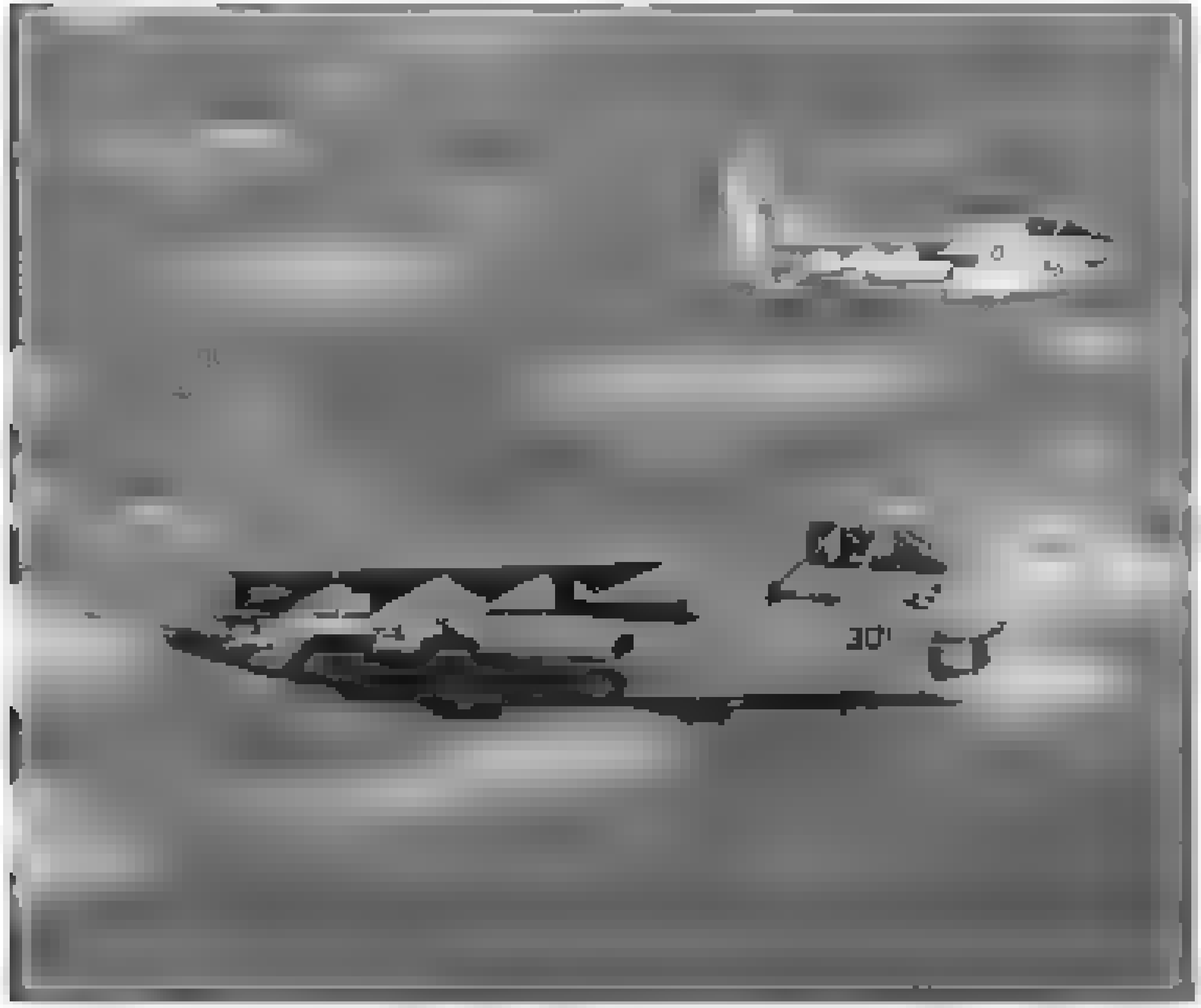

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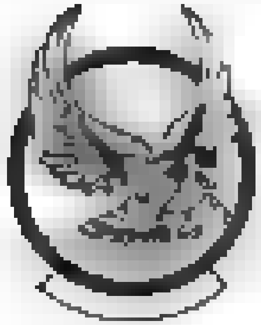

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22–27 Mar 1986: [illegible] Freedom of [illegible] Exercises in the [illegible] and the resulting combat action [illegible] to probe the [illegible] attacks [illegible] ships [illegible] manner and also provide [illegible] for [illegible].

14 Apr 1986: The United States initiated [illegible] strike against targets in the [illegible] support for possible engagement against [illegible] surface [illegible].

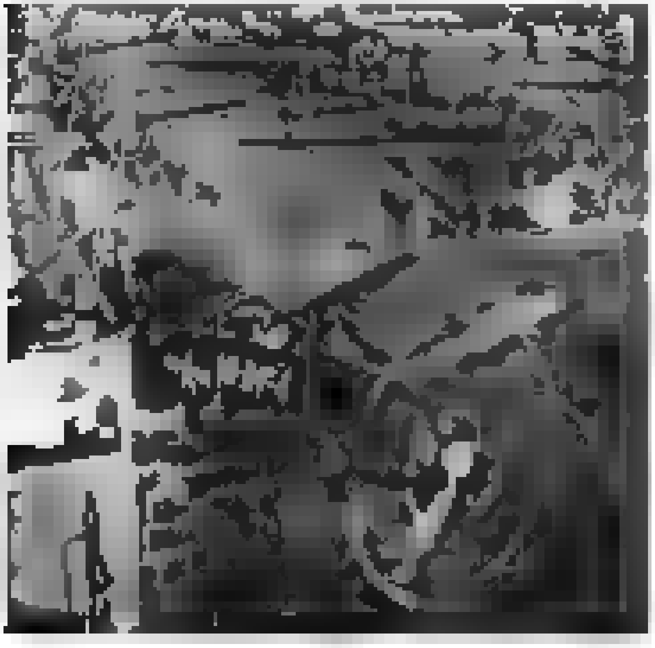
Sep–Oct 1990 and Dec 1990–Jan 1991: The squadron participated in [illegible] Desert Shield, the build up of American and Allied forces [illegible] the threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia [illegible] part of an [illegible] blockade of Iraq [illegible] withdraw from Kuwait.

[illegible] Jan 1991: [illegible] Desert Storm [illegible] The squadron [illegible] participated in the [illegible] against [illegible] targets in Baghdad.

29 Jan 1991: Squadron [illegible] flew [illegible] missions in the Kuwait [illegible] positions.

27 Feb 1991: Squadron [illegible] participated in the [illegible] of the war [illegible] the squadron flew [illegible] without the loss of a pilot or aircraft.

8 Jun 1991: The [illegible] squadron [illegible] participated in the Desert Storm [illegible] Parade [illegible] in Washington, [illegible].



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## Major Overseas Deployments

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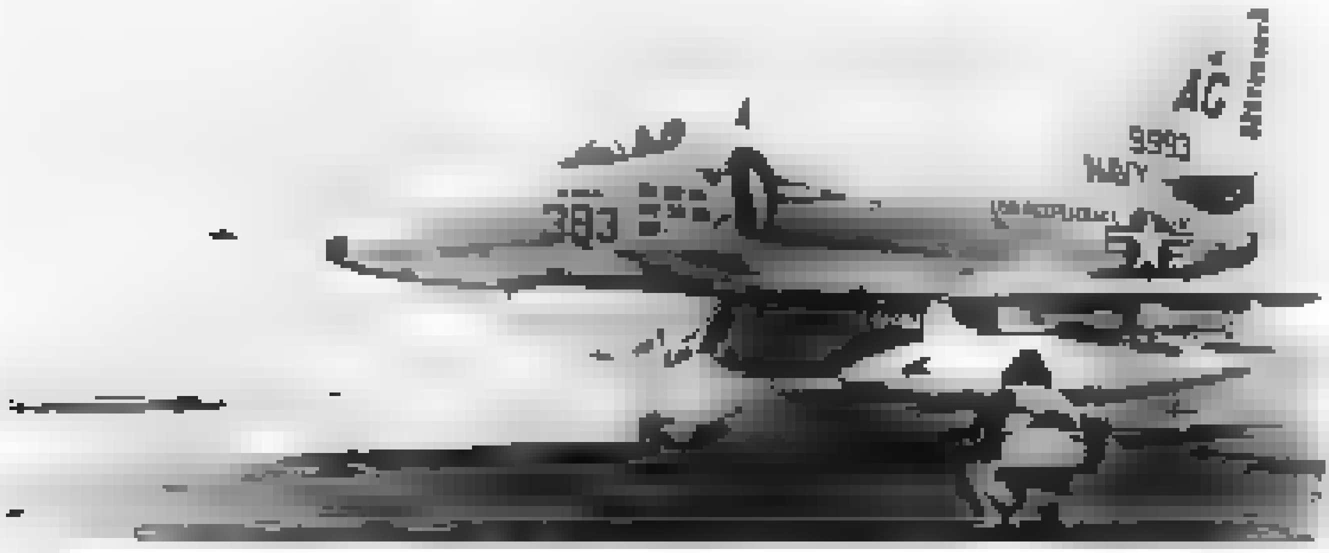

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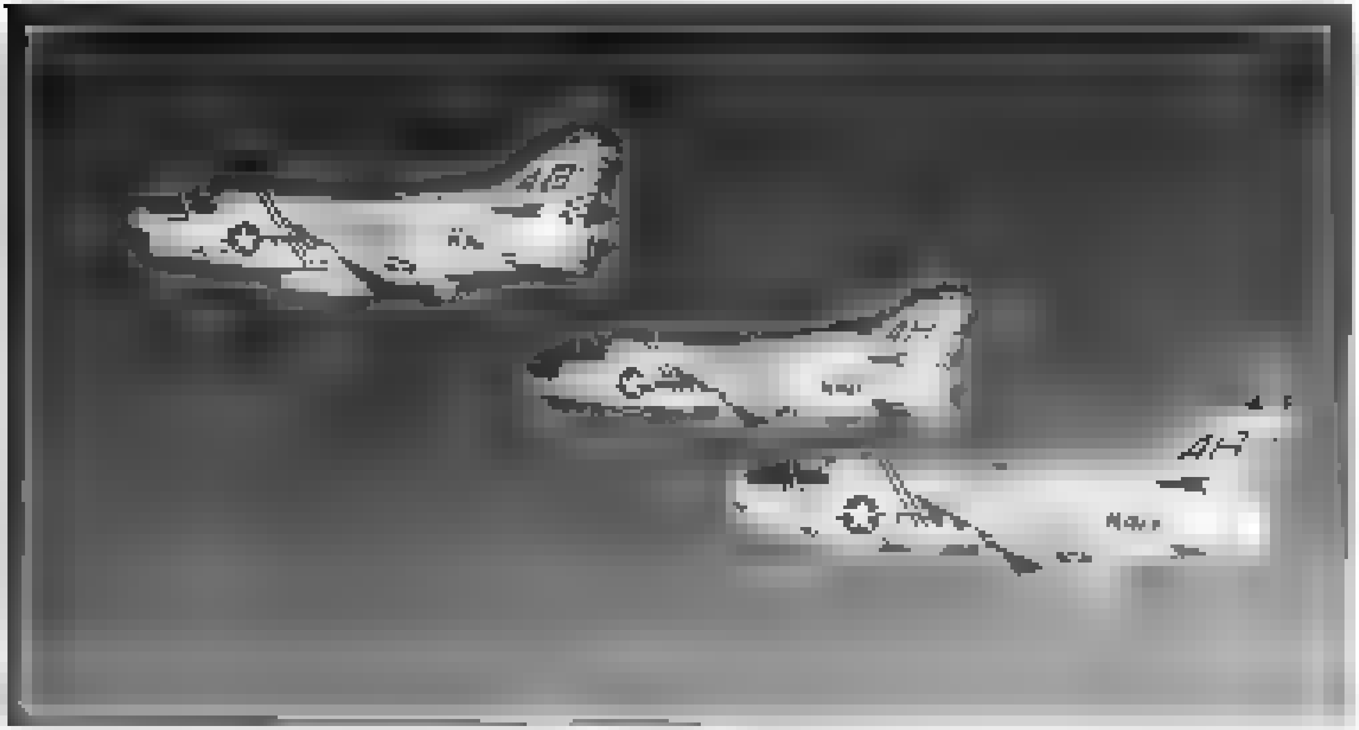

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# VA-75

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron EIGHTEEN (VT-18) on [illegible] July 19[illegible].

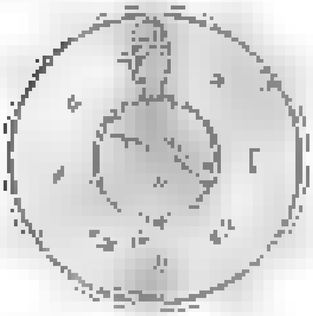
Redesignated Attack Squadron EIGHTEEN A (VA-18A) on 15 [illegible]ember 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron SEVENTY FIVE (VA-75) on [illegible] July 1948.

Disestablished on 30 November 1949. The first squadron to be assigned the designation [illegible].

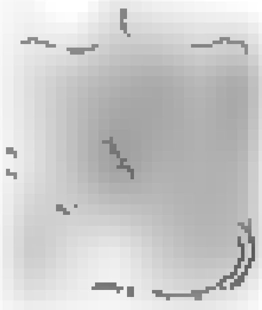
## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible] the squadron [illegible] its designation [illegible] VT [illegible] The [illegible] design [illegible] was a blue [illegible] pelican with an orange [illegible] and [illegible] through the [illegible] the World. The [illegible] White Zeros with black markings [illegible] and [illegible] orange [illegible] and [illegible] with yellow up[illegible] a White [illegible] and the remainder [illegible] black.



[illegible] insignia [illegible] designation [illegible]

[illegible] the squadron [illegible] redesignated [illegible] a new insignia was approved [illegible] on [illegible] December [illegible] for the single [illegible] insignia [illegible] composed with gold [illegible] a White [illegible] blue [illegible] and gold [illegible] the shield [illegible] blue with a gold anchor [illegible] Knight [illegible] torpedo. The squadron continued to use this insignia [illegible] its redesignation [illegible] VA-75.



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Nickname: The [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Oct 1944: The squadron participated in the Battle for Leyte Gulf [illegible] TBM [illegible] against a powerful Japanese surface force in the Sibuyan Sea. These attacks contributed to the sinking of the Musashi, one of the [illegible] largest battleships in the world. On 25 October the squadron planes were part of [illegible] that attacked [illegible] Japanese [illegible] in the Battle off Cape Engano. Four Japanese carriers were sunk during that engagement. On the 26th, squadron planes participated in an attack on the Japanese surface force [illegible] retreating from the Battle off Samar.

Sep–Dec 1946: The squadron participated in a [illegible] shakedown cruise to the Caribbean and a goodwill cruise to South America on the [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
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| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Hilo | Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Kaneohe | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | 22 Apr 1945 |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT(jg) [illegible] | 20 Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| ENS [illegible] Baker [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] Williams [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] Williams | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] L. Hooper | 04 Feb 1946 |
| LCDR Charles A. [illegible] | 10 Dec 1947 |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBM | Jul [illegible] |
| TBM-1C | Sep [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-3 | [illegible] |
| TBM-3E | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| TBM-3[illegible] | [illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

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**Major Overseas Deployments**

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
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| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM | Pacific |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E | [illegible] East Coast of South America |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E & TBM | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E | Med |
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### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| CVG-18/CVAG-18/CVG-7* | [illegible] | 20 Jul 1943 |

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### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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# SECOND VA 75

### Lineage

[illegible] Squadron EIGHTEEN (VB-[illegible]

[illegible]

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible]

24 Feb 1968 Commander Jerald M. Zacharias and [illegible]

[illegible] into the invasion of Jordan by Syria [illegible]

[illegible]

Lieutenant Commander Grady L. Jackson were awarded the Silver Star for directing a successful night inland [illegible]

[illegible]

## Peacekeeping

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | 20 Jul 1943 |
| NAAS Watsonville | 26 Sep 194[illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] |
| NAS Hilo | 29 Feb 19[illegible] |
| NAS Kahului | 05 Jun 1944 |
| NAS Alameda | 20 Dec 194[illegible] |
| NAS Astoria | 25 Jan 1945 |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] 1945 |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] 1945 |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| LCDR [illegible] | 20 Jul 1943 |
| LCDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Jan 1945 |
| LT [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Feb 1945 |
| LT Donald L. Wilson | 25 Apr 1945 |
| LCDR William D. Carter | 19 Aug 1946 |
| LCDR L. Woodhams (acting) | 15 Jun 1948 |
| LCDR William B. Morton | 21 Jun 1948 |
| LCDR Nils R. Larson | 16 Dec 1949 |
| LCDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1952 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| CDR Benjamin [illegible] Preston | Jun 1953 |
| CDR [illegible] P. Stoke | Sep 1954 |
| CDR [illegible] Thorp Jr. | Jun 1956 |
| CDR [illegible] Brown | 02 May 1957 |
| CDR [illegible] R. Anderson | 02 Jul 1958 |
| CDR [illegible] | 10 Jul 1959 |
| CDR Stanley [illegible] | [illegible] 1960 |
| CDR Alphonse [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
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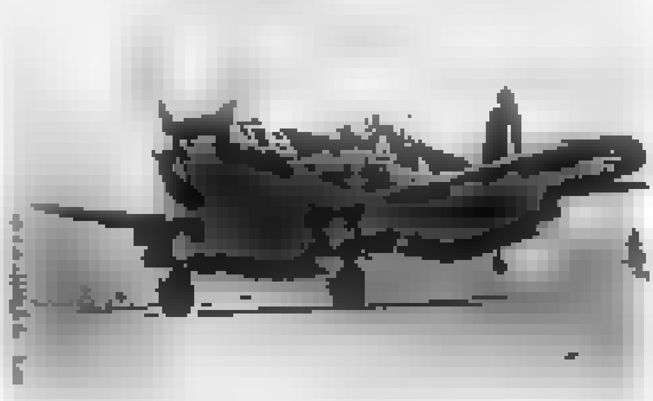
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 1963 |
| CDR William [illegible] Jr. | 02 Aug 1963 |
| CDR [illegible] | 08 May 1964 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 |
| CDR William F. [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | 06 Jul 1966 |
| CDR [illegible] | 30 Jun 1967 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1968 |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1969 |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jul 1970 |
| CDR Everett W. Foote | Jun 1971 |
| CDR [illegible] | 07 Jun 1972 |
| CDR William [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 1973 |
| CDR [illegible] | 22 Feb 1974 |
| CDR [illegible] | 07 Apr 1975 |
| CDR [illegible] | 02 Jul 1976 |
| CDR Kenneth R. [illegible] | [illegible] Oct 1977 |
| CDR [illegible] | 12 Jan 1979 |
| CDR Rodney A. [illegible] | [illegible] 1980 |
| CDR Joseph S. Mobley | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Earl D. [illegible] | [illegible] 1982 |
| CDR James R. [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Brown | 05 Apr 1985 |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 1986 |
| CDR John T. Meister | 4 Apr 1988 |
| CDR Robert E. Beall | 29 Sep 1989 |



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| AD-5 | Apr 1956 |
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| KA-6D | 18 Dec 1970 |
| A-6E | 06 Aug 1973 |

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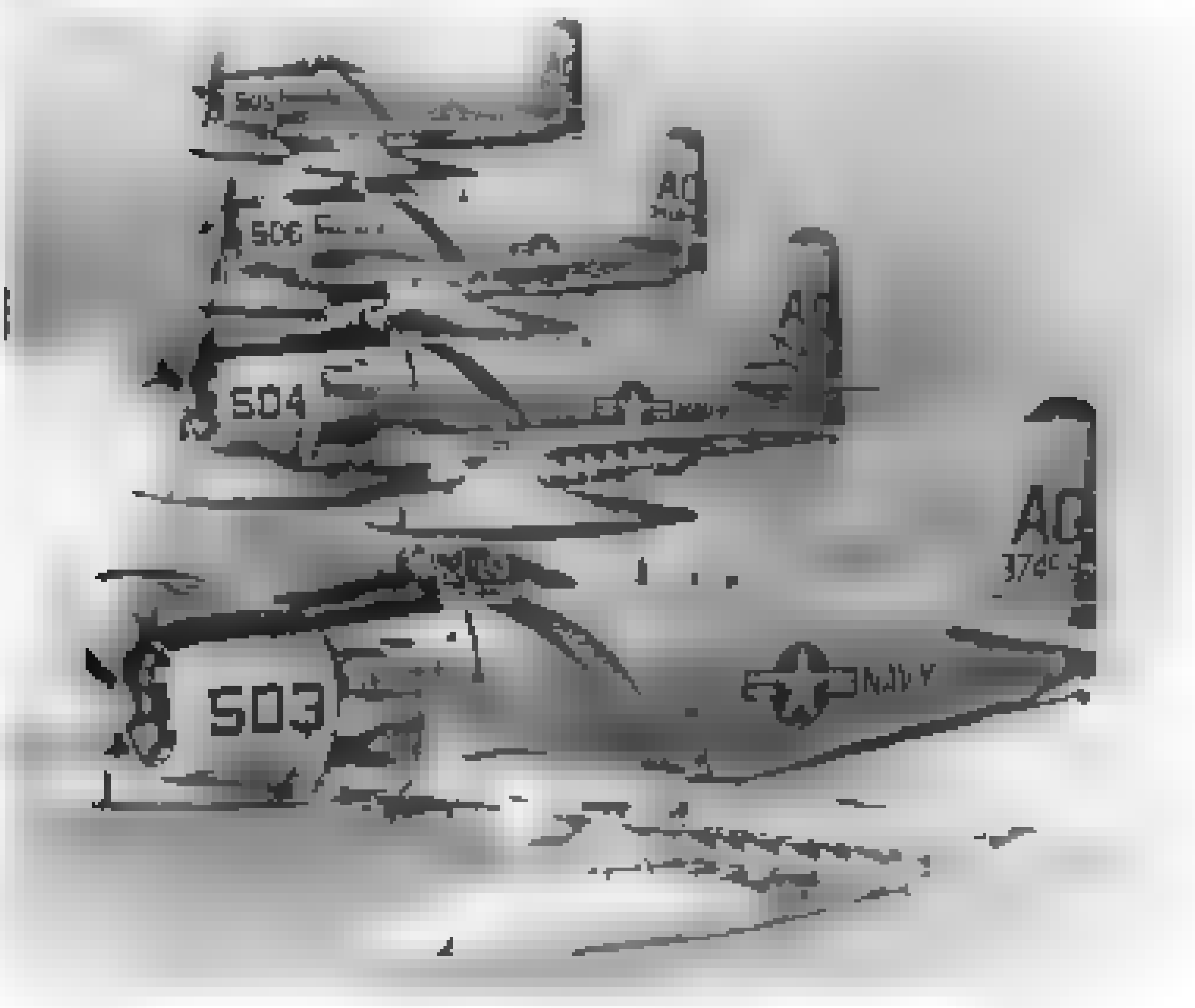

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| PUC | 29 Dec 1967 | 01 Jun 1968 |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1991 | 28 Feb 1991 |

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# VA-76

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron SEVENTY SIX (VA-76) on 1 June 1955.

Disestablished on 30 September 1969. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-76 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 2 March 1956. The following colors were used for the insignia: [illegible] blue background with a dark blue border; [illegible] black [illegible] figure in [illegible] white [illegible] gray with red lettering and outlined in black.

The squadron's insignia [illegible]

Nickname: Spirits, or more fully Fighting Spirits of '76, 1955–1969.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Nov–Dec 1956:** The squadron operated from Forrestal (CVA 59) off the coast of [illegible] during the Suez Crisis, awaiting a call to [illegible] if necessary.

**Jun 1961:** The squadron deployed aboard Intrepid [illegible] and operated in the Caribbean during the Dominican Republic crises.

**24 Oct–4 Dec 1962:** The squadron, deployed aboard [illegible], operated in the Caribbean during the Cuban missile crisis and [illegible] of Cuba.

**Mar 1964:** Conducted operations in the eastern Mediterranean during a conflict in that region between Turkish and Greek Cypriots.

**Jul–Oct 1964:** While embarked in Enterprise, the squadron participated in Operation Sea Orbit, the first circumnavigation of the world by a nuclear task force. The cruise was [illegible] without replenishment. The squadron participated in numerous air power demonstrations during the cruise.

**8–25 Feb 1965:** A detachment of the squadron's A-4s, configured with Sidewinder missiles, were embarked in Essex (CVS 9) for an Atlantic Fleet exercise. The aircraft were used for limited daylight fighter protection for embarked ASW aircraft.

**29 May–5 Jun 1965:** While [illegible] at Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, the squadron flew [illegible] over the Dominican Republic during a crisis in that country.

**[illegible] Mar 1966:** The squadron's commanding officer, Commander J. B. Linder, was awarded the Silver Star for leading the squadron on a strike against [illegible] of Thanh Hoa, North Vietnam.

**[illegible] Dec 1966:** The squadron's commanding officer, Commander A. [illegible] Hall, was killed when he [illegible] following a night launch from [illegible] Roosevelt.

**1 May 1967:** During a strike against North Vietnam's airfield at Kep, Lieutenant Commander Theodore R. Swartz shot down a MiG-17 with air-to-ground rockets. This was the first and only [illegible] during the Vietnam War. Lieutenant Commander Swartz was awarded the Silver Star for this action.

**[illegible] Jul 1967:** The squadron's commanding officer, Commander R. B. Fuller, was shot down [illegible] North Vietnam. He [illegible] March 1973 following the [illegible] January 1973 cease fire agreement with North Vietnam.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Oceana | 1 Jun 1955 |
| NAS Lemoore | 24 Aug 1966 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | 1 Jun 1955 |
| CDR W. R. [illegible] | 4 Jul 1957 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| CDR [illegible] Newman | [illegible] 1960 |
| CDR W. R. [illegible] | [illegible] 1961 |
| CDR [illegible] Anderson | [illegible] 1962 |
| CDR George A. [illegible] II | [illegible] 1963 |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] 1964 |
| CDR James B. Linder | 23 Oct 1965 |
| CDR Albert [illegible] Hall | [illegible] 1966 |
| CDR Robert B. Fuller (acting) | [illegible] 1966 |
| CDR Robert B. Fuller | [illegible] 1967 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1967 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F9F-8 | [illegible] |
| F9F-8B | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | F9F-8B | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | | F9F-8B | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | Jun 195[illegible] |
| | | [illegible] 1958 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1957 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 5 Jan 1958 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 6 Aug 1958 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 11 Jan 1959 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1959 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Sep 1959 |

## Air Wing Assignments—Continued

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 11 Sep 1960 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jun 1969 |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| AFEM | [illegible] Jun 1965 | 6 Jun 1965 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1966 | 24 [illegible] 1966 |
| | Jun 1966 | [illegible] Jun 1966 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1966 | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1965 | [illegible] Jun 1966 |
| | Feb 1966 | Feb 1966 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | Apr 1966 |
| | [illegible] Apr 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] 1966 | 6 Jun 1966 |
| | 15 Feb 1966 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 1966 | 11 [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1966 | 9 Jul 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1965 | |
| | Dec 1965 | |
| | [illegible] Dec 1965 | |
| | [illegible] Dec 1965 | |
| | 30 Dec 1965 | 4 [illegible] 1965 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 11 Jan 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1966 | Jan 1966 |
| | Feb 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Feb 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Feb 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Mar 1966 | 28 Mar 1966 |
| | 30 Mar 1966 | Mar 1966 |
| | [illegible] Apr 1966 | |
| | Apr 1966 | |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Apr 1966 | |
| | 28 Feb 196 | |
| | [illegible] Mar 196 | |
| | Mar 196 | |
| | [illegible] Mar 196 | |
| | [illegible] Mar 196 | |
| | 30 Mar 196 | [illegible] 196 |
| | [illegible] Apr 196 | [illegible] 196 |
| | 10 Mar 196 | [illegible] 196 |

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# VA-84

## Lineage

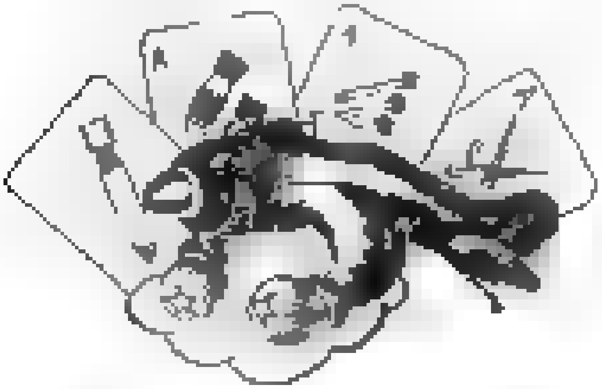
Established as Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-84) [illegible] September 1948.

Disestablished on [illegible] November 1949. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-84 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] 1949. The following colors were used in the [illegible] the four cards [illegible] white [illegible] were outlined in black; the one on the left had a red letter "A" [illegible] outlined in black with a [illegible] and aft section and a yellow tailfin [illegible]; the next card had a black letter "A" with a [illegible] outlined and shaded in black with a yellow tip and aft section [illegible] and mid-section; the third card had a red letter "A" [illegible] outlined in black [illegible] tip and yellow and a white midsection [illegible]; the fourth card [illegible] with black and white [illegible] red bullets with black base and tips; the [illegible] with black and white markings, a green stripe [illegible] the nose [illegible] green and white; the [illegible] were green with white and yellow markings and a red [illegible] outlined in black with a white [illegible] tip [illegible] the plane were yellow with black [illegible] the teeth were white and the tongue [illegible] the [illegible] was white outlined in black with [illegible] the [illegible] at the bottom.

Nickname: unknown.



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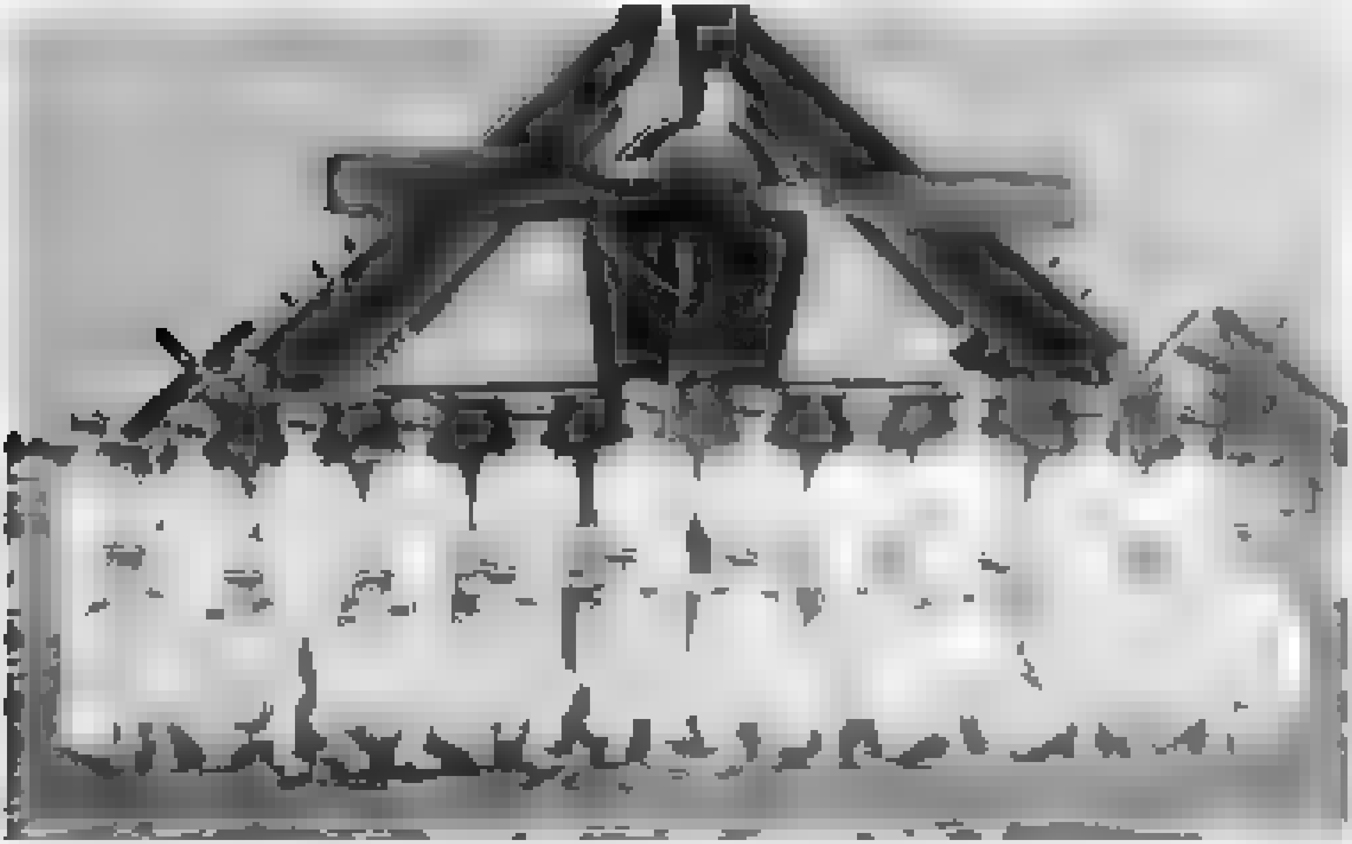
## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1948 |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] 1948 |



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### Commanding Officers

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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# VA-85

### Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron EIGHTY FIVE (VA-85) on [illegible] September 19[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] November 19[illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-85 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There are no records of an approved insignia or nickname for VA-85.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Frank H. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | E | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |

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# SECOND VA-85

## Lineage

[illegible]

[illegible] squadron to be assigned the VA-85 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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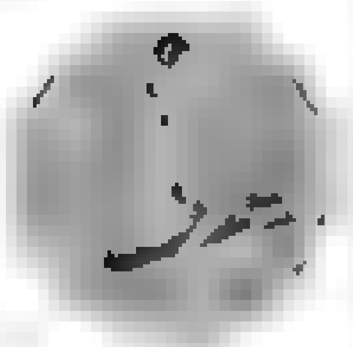

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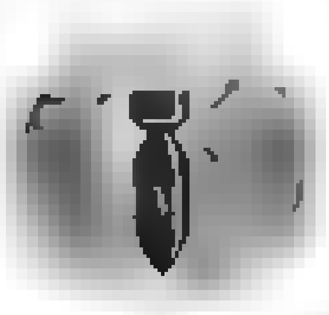
[illegible] rings; the lightning bolt was yel[illegible]



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## Chronology of Significant Events

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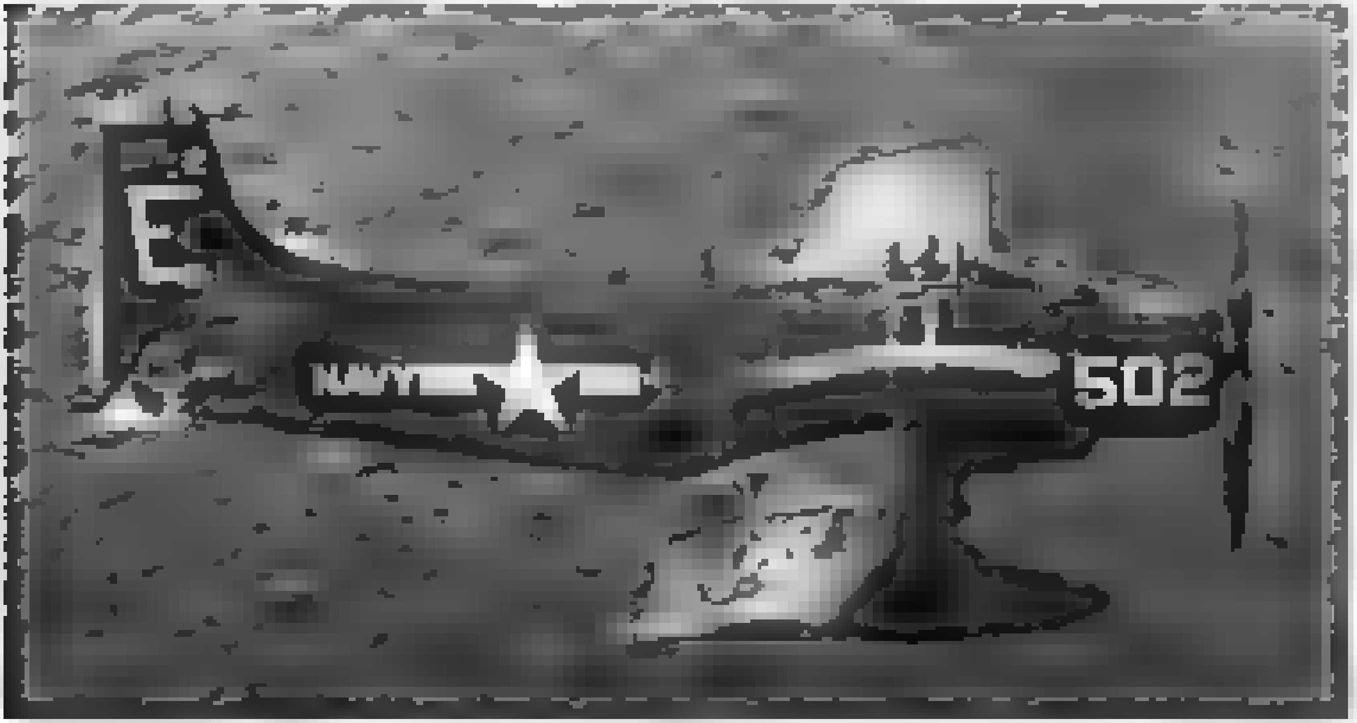

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## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| NAS [illegible] Falls | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] Point | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] Williams [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

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| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
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## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 Nov 1951 | 11 Jun 1952 | CVG-8 | CV 40 | AD-2 | Med |
| 26 Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | AD | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | 15 Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | 40 | AD-6 | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1958 | [illegible] Sep 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | AD-6 | Med |
| 28 Jan 1960 | 31 Aug 1960 | CVG-8 | CVA 59 | AD-6 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | 59 | AD-6 | Med |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] 59 | AD-6 | Med |
| 19 Oct 1965 | 13 Jun 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA 63 | A-6A | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Aug 1969 | [illegible] 1970 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 05 Jan 197[illegible] | 02 Jul 197[illegible] | CVW-17 | CVA 59 | A-6A & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-17 | CVA 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-17 | 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1975 | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-17 | 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] 1978 | CVW-17 | 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] 1980 | CVW-17 | 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 198[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 198[illegible] | CVW-17 | 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/[illegible] |
| 08 Jun 1982 | 16 Nov 1982 | CVW-17 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/[illegible] |
| 25 May 1983 | 01 Jul 1983 | CVW-3 | CV 67 | A-6E | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] |
| 25 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan 1989 | [illegible] 1989 | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/Red Sea/<br>Persian Gulf |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | [illegible] |
| 02 Dec 1992 | 06 Jun 1993 | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/Red Sea/<br>Persian Gulf |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | 60 | A-6E | Med |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 05 Apr 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | AH | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] CVG-8 | A[illegible] | 25 Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | 06 Apr 1964 |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | 2[illegible] Jul 1965 |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Aug 1965 |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | 2[illegible] Sep 1965 |
| [illegible] | | 10 Jun 1966 |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | 25 Sep 1966 |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jun 1967 |
| CVW-[illegible] | AE | [illegible] Oct 1967 |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1969 |
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| CVW-[illegible] | AA | [illegible] Aug 1970 |
| CVW-[illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | AA | [illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | AH | 01 Jun 1988 |

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### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1965 | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 1974 | 30 Jun 1974 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1975 | [illegible] 1976 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1983 | [illegible] |
| | 02 Dec 1983 | 2[illegible] Jan 1984 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1984 | 22 Feb 1984 |
| | 25 Feb 1984 | 29 Feb 1984 |
| [illegible] | 07 Sep 1969 | 30 Apr 1970 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 20 Jan 1968 | [illegible] Mar 1968 |
| | Oct 1968 | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| | Mar 1968 | 31 [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] 1965 |
| | 24 [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] Mar 1968 |
| | Jun 19[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 5 Jun 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | 24 Jun 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | 30 Jun 1968 | |
| | Feb 1968 | |
| | 10 [illegible] 1968 | |
| | 11 [illegible] 1968 | |
| | 5 [illegible] 1968 | |
| | [illegible] Apr 1968 | |
| [illegible] | 25 Nov 1965 | [illegible] Dec 1965 |
| | 5 Jun 1966 | Feb 1966 |
| | Apr 1966 | [illegible] Aug 1966 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 18 Mar 1968 | 20 Mar 1968 |
| | 30 Oct 1968 | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| | 11 Mar 196[illegible] | 31 Mar 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| | 18 Mar 196[illegible] | 24 Mar 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 1968 | [illegible] Jun 1968 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1968 | Aug 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1968 | Sep 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1968 | 30 Oct 1968 |
| | Sep 1969 | [illegible] Oct 1969 |
| | 11 Nov 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | Oct 1969 | [illegible] Dec 1969 |
| | 05 Jan 1970 | 30 Jan 1970 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1970 | [illegible] Mar 1970 |
| | 20 [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Mar 1970 |
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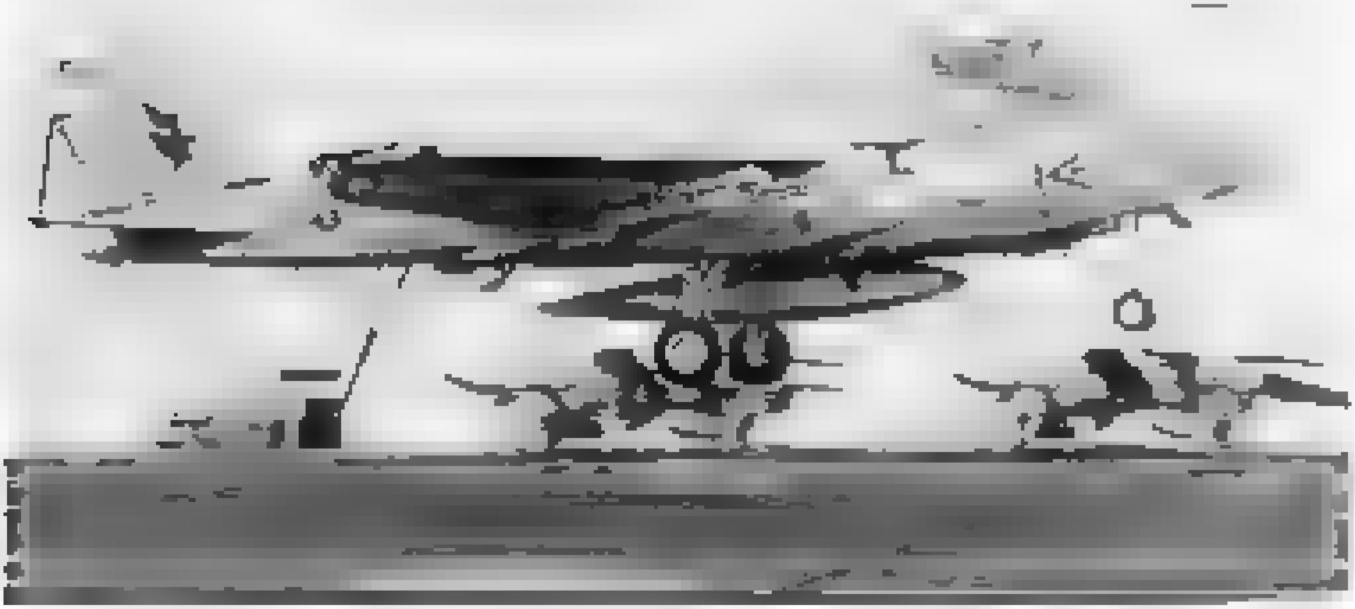

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# VA-93

## Lineage

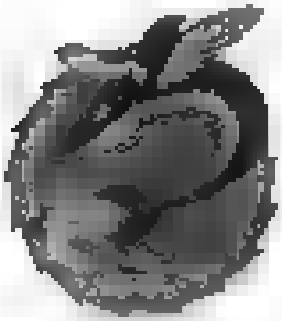
Established as Fighter Squadron NINETY THREE (VF-93) on 26 March 1952.

Redesignated Attack Squadron NINETY THREE (VA-93) on 1 September 1956.

Disestablished on 30 August 1986. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-93 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible] top [illegible] dark [illegible] insignia [illegible] dark [illegible] of light blue [illegible] [illegible] the upper part of the [illegible] the lower part white and the [illegible] was outlined in [illegible] gold wing with [illegible] and [illegible] outlined in black with white streaks coming from the [illegible] to the [illegible] of the [illegible].



The [illegible] first insignia [illegible] patch [illegible]

Following the squadron's [illegible] a new insignia [illegible] approved [illegible] 1957. The skull and [illegible] colors [illegible] dark blue [illegible] white [illegible] outlined in black; the skull white [illegible] and [illegible] outlined [illegible] outlined in black [illegible] outlined in black and [illegible] outlined [illegible] white [illegible] outlined in black with black letters.

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The [illegible] insignia [illegible] the [illegible] patch.

A new insignia was approved [illegible] November [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dark blue [illegible] [illegible] medium [illegible] then [illegible] black and [illegible] outlined [illegible] center; the outlined [illegible] dark blue with red outline; the [illegible] white [illegible] outlined in black with black lettering.

Nickname: Blue Blazers, 19[illegible]

Ravens, 1956–1986.

## Chronology of Significant Events

May 1962: Following the military losses of the [illegible] to the Pathet Lao [illegible] the Plaine des Jarres, *Ranger* [illegible] transited to the South China Sea to support possible operations in Laos.

5 Aug 1964: The squadron [illegible] detachment [illegible] [illegible] *Bennington* [illegible] to provide daylight fighter protection for the ASW [illegible]. The detachment flew A-4B Skyhawks.

Feb 1965: Following the [illegible] attack upon the American [illegible] installations [illegible] Pleiku, South Vietnam, a reprisal strike named Flaming Dart I was ordered by the President. VA-93 participated in the strike but upon reaching the target the military [illegible] the mission was aborted due to the weather.

11 Feb 1965: Participated in Flaming Dart II retaliatory strike against the military barracks at [illegible], North Vietnam.

5 Mar 1965: Participated in Rolling Thunder strike against [illegible] ammunition storage [illegible] Phu [illegible], North Vietnam.

Mar–Jul 197[illegible]: Participated in [illegible] strikes against targets in North Vietnam to [illegible] that [illegible] to continue the war effort in South Vietnam.

Apr 1975: Participated in Operation Frequent Wind, the evacuation of American personnel from Saigon, South Vietnam, as [illegible] government.

Aug–Sep 1976: Operated near the Korean Peninsula following the murder of two military personnel in the Korean DMZ by North Koreans.

Nov–Dec 1979: In response to the seizure of the American Embassy staff [illegible] in Tehran, Iran, and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, *Midway* [illegible] operated in the Arabian Sea.

May–Jun 1980: Following the murder of a number of people in the city of Kwangju, South Korea, *Midway* operated off the coast of South Korea until the [illegible] had subsided.

Dec 1981: [illegible] emergency [illegible] in Korea, *Midway* operated off the coast of South Korea for several days.

## Home Port Assignment

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | 20 Jul 1952 |
| NAS Lemoore | 30 Jun 1961 |
| NS [illegible] (NAF Atsugi, Japan) (forward) | [illegible] 1973 |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] 1986 |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR E. W. Smith [illegible] | 20 Jul 1952 |
| LCDR W. E. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Burke | [illegible] Dec 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Jul 1955 |
| CDR Paul E. Budge | Sep 1956 |
| CDR Robert F. [illegible] | 3[illegible] Jan 1958 |
| CDR E. W. [illegible] | 2[illegible] Dec 1959 |
| CDR William [illegible] Jr. | Jul 1960 |
| CDR J. W. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jun 1961 |
| CDR Robert F. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1962 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| CDR E. W. [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 |
| CDR W. [illegible] | Jun 1966 |
| CDR R. [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR R. H. [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 |
| CDR Thomas W. [illegible] | Jul 1968 |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jan 1970 |
| CDR Edward R. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 1970 |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR Stephen [illegible] | 1[illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR Walter [illegible] | 1[illegible] Dec 197[illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jun 1975 |
| CDR Rodger W. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1976 |
| CDR John W. [illegible] | Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 3[illegible] Jan 1978 |
| CDR Eugene F. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1979 |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] 1980 |
| CDR James [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | Dec 1982 |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Park | Jun 1984 |

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## Aircraft Assignment

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| A-7A | [illegible] |
| A-7E | Apr [illegible] |

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | (T) CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | (T) CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac |
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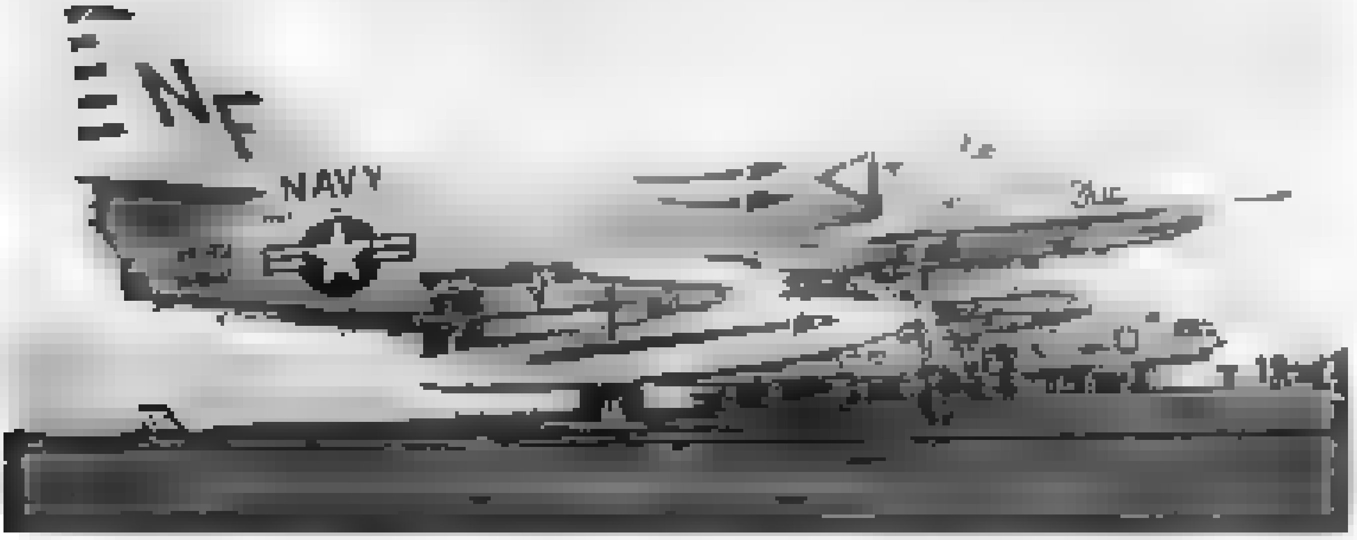

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| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
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| CVW-5 | NF | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |

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| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award |
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| | 15 Sep 1964 | | [illegible] Sep 1964 |
| | 11 [illegible] 1964 | | [illegible] Oct 1964 |
| | 28 Nov 1964 | | [illegible] Dec 1964 |
| | Jan 1965 | | Mar 1965 |
| | Apr 1965 | | Aug 1965 |
| | 11 Mar 1968 | | 11 Mar 1968 |
| | 11 Jan 1970 | | Mar 1970 |
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| | 8 Apr 1975 | | 4 Aug 1975 |
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| | 21 Sep 1980 | | [illegible] 1980 |
| | [illegible] 1981 | | [illegible] Mar 1981 |
| [illegible] | 4 Apr 197[illegible] | | [illegible] Feb 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 10 Mar 197[illegible] | | Jul 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1965 | | [illegible] Jan 1966 |
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| | 12 Apr 1966 | | 4 Mar 1966 |
| | [illegible] Mar 1966 | | 6 Jun 1966 |
| | 26 Feb 1967 | | 3 Feb 1967 |
| | 5 Mar 1967 | | Apr 1967 |
| | 25 Apr 1967 | | Jun 1967 |

### *Unit Awards Received*—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award |
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| | 2 Jun 1967 | | [illegible] Jun 1967 |
| | 21 Feb 1968 | | 2 Mar 1968 |
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| | Jul 1968 | | 15 Aug 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1968 | | Sep 1968 |
| | 11 Nov 1969 | | [illegible] Dec 1969 |
| | Dec 1969 | | 30 Mar 1970 |
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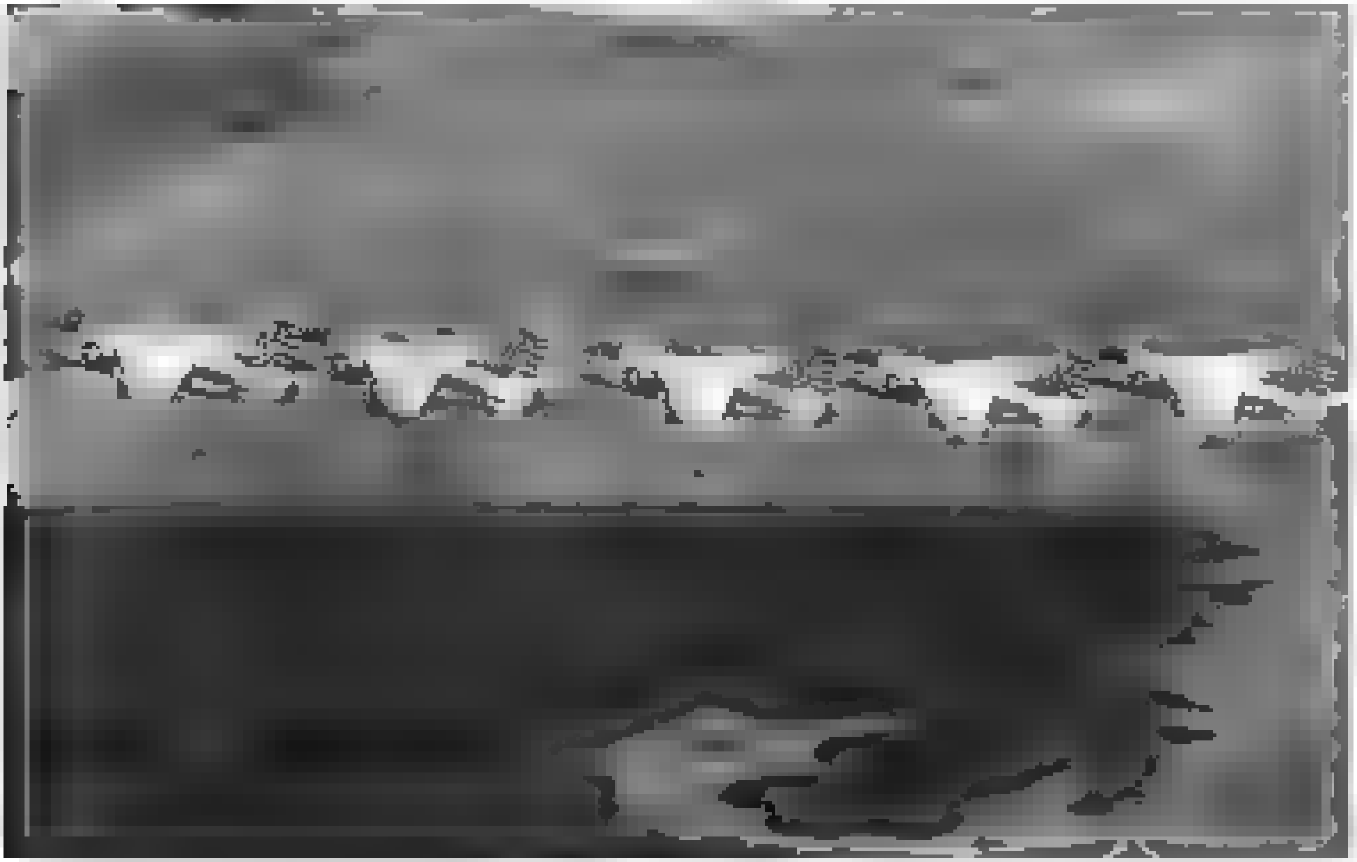

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# VA-94

## Lineage

Established as Bombing Squadron [illegible] (V[illegible]) on [illegible] Jul 194[illegible].

Redesignated Bombing Squadron TWENTY (VB-20) on [illegible] October 19[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-[illegible]) on [illegible] November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron NINETY FOUR (VA-94) on [illegible] August 1948.

Disestablished on 30 November 1949. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-94 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] December [illegible] for the [illegible] and skull insignia were light blue background with white clouds; dark blue [illegible] was black and white with green [illegible] the skull was shaded gray with black outline; [illegible] and yellow goggles were brown with white shading; the [illegible] were green and black; [illegible] yellow bomb with brown and white shading.

The squadron's insignia [illegible]

Nickname: [illegible] Twenty's Tough Kitty 1943–1946.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Jul–Oct 1943: VB-[illegible] was established as an experimental squadron [illegible] until its redesignation as VB-20 and assignment to [illegible].

[illegible] Aug 1944: The squadron [illegible] combat [illegible] strikes against [illegible] the Bonin Islands.

Sep 1944: The squadron participated in pre-invasion strikes on Palau Islands and provided air support for the landings on Peleliu Island.

Oct 1944: Squadron aircraft participated in strikes against Okinawa, Formosa and [illegible].

24 Oct 1944: The squadron participated in the Battle for Leyte Gulf. VB-20 [illegible] against a powerful Japanese [illegible] force in the Sibuyan Sea [illegible] and assisted in the sinking of the *Musashi*, one of the two largest battleships in the world. The following squadron personnel were awarded the Navy Cross for their heroism: Ensigns [illegible] Adams, [illegible] Barnes, H. A. Kiser, R. D. Olson, M. T. Huss and D. D. J. Spanagel; Lieutenant (jg)s P. P. Cook, [illegible] M. Gibson, R. D. Reed, [illegible] P. Tyler and [illegible] E. [illegible]; Lieutenants W. [illegible] Christensen [illegible] [illegible] Hogan, R. E. Moore, R. [illegible] W[illegible] and R. [illegible] W[illegible]; and Commander R. E. Riera.

25 Oct 1944: Squadron aircraft were part of the first strike that attacked the Japanese carrier force at the Battle of Cape Engaño. Four Japanese carriers were sunk during this engagement. The following squadron personnel were awarded the Navy Cross for their heroism during the Battle of Cape Engaño: Ensigns [illegible] Burden, D. F. Hughes, C. Z. Stevens, [illegible] and W. P. Wright; Lieutenant (jg) W. [illegible] Fuller; Lieutenants W. W. Anderson, [illegible] Barnes and [illegible]; and Commander R. E. Riera.

Nov 1944: Squadron aircraft flew strikes against Japanese shipping [illegible] in Manila Bay and enemy positions on Luzon.

Dec 1944: The squadron participated in strikes flown against Luzon.

Jan 1945: Squadron aircraft flew strikes against Luzon, Formosa, Indochina, Japanese [illegible] in south China and the Ryukyus.

[illegible] Jan 1945: The following squadron personnel were awarded the Navy Cross for strikes against a Japanese convoy (including [illegible] ships): Lieutenants W. [illegible] Christensen and W. W. Anderson and Lieutenant (jg) [illegible] Boline.

## Home Port Assignment

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS San Diego | 01 Jul 1943 |
| NAS Kaneohe | 2[illegible] Apr 194[illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | 30 Apr 1944 |
| NAS Pu[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1945 |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS W[illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Edenton | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Elizabeth City | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Louis J. Kirn | [illegible] Jul 1943 |
| LCDR Robert E. Riera | [illegible] |
| LCDR R[illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT James S. Cooper (acting) | [illegible] Apr 194[illegible] |
| LT James S. Cooper | [illegible] Apr 1945 |
| LCDR [illegible] T[illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| LCDR Burton M. Kessler | 06 Jul 1948 |

### Aircraft Assignment

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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| [illegible] | Feb 1945 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Pacific |
| [illegible] Feb 1948 | [illegible] Jun 1948 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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### Unit Awards Received

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# VA-95

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron TWENTY [illegible] (VT-[illegible]) on [illegible] October [illegible].

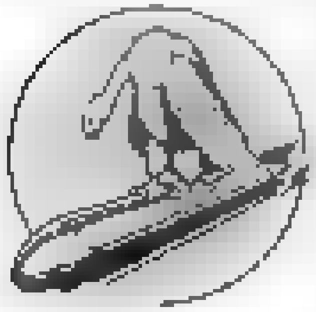
Redesignated Attack Squadron TEN A (VA-[illegible]) on [illegible] November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] FIVE (VA-95) on [illegible] August 194[illegible].

Disestablished on 30 November 1949. The first squadron to be designated VA-95.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] March 19[illegible]. Colors for the [illegible] insignia were: background [illegible] of light blue outlined in [illegible]; [illegible] white [illegible] with [illegible] white, lighter [illegible] outlined in [illegible]; the [illegible] and [illegible] were white with blue [illegible]; the [illegible] was [illegible] and feet [illegible] and the [illegible] was black; the torpedo was dark gray with a white [illegible] and [illegible] the nose and [illegible] the torpedo was outlined in black; streaks emanating from the nose of the torpedo were blue and white.



The squadron's insignia [illegible]

Nickname: Unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Sep 1944: The squadron's first combat action was a strike against enemy installations in [illegible] Jima in the Bonin Islands.

[illegible] Sep 1944: Squadron aircraft participated in strikes against Palau Islands in preparation for and support of the landings on Peleliu Island.

[illegible] Oct 1944: The squadron participated in strikes against Okinawa, Formosa and Luzon in preparation for and support of the landings on Leyte.

[illegible] Oct 1944: Lieutenant Edward H. [illegible], flying a squadron TBM, [illegible] fighter [illegible].

24 Oct 1944: The squadron participated in the Battle for Leyte Gulf. [illegible] TBMs [illegible] flew strikes against a powerful Japanese [illegible] force in the Sibuyan Sea. These attacks contributed to the sinking of the Japanese Musashi, one of the [illegible] largest battleships in the world. The following squadron personnel were awarded the Navy Cross for their action against the Japanese task force: Ensigns W. T. Ross, W. [illegible] Schuller, and [illegible]; Lieutenant (jg) [illegible]; lieutenants [illegible] E. [illegible] and R. E. [illegible]; and lieutenant [illegible] Bennett.

25 Oct 1944: Squadron aircraft were part of the first [illegible] task force that attacked the Japanese carrier force at the Battle off Cape Engano. Four Japanese carriers were sunk during this engagement. The following squadron personnel were awarded the Navy Cross for their action during the Battle off Cape Engano: Ensigns [illegible] E. [illegible] and [illegible]; Lieutenant [illegible] E. [illegible] and [illegible] F. Schlegel; and Lieutenants [illegible] Howell, Jr., M. L. [illegible], E. E. Rodenkamp and R. [illegible].

[illegible] Nov 1944: The squadron [illegible] strikes [illegible] against a Japanese [illegible] in [illegible] and [illegible] enemy positions on Luzon.

Dec 1944: Strikes were flown against [illegible] in preparation for the landings at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon.

Jan 1945: Squadron aircraft flew strikes against Luzon, Formosa, Hong Kong, Japanese [illegible] in south [illegible] French Indochina and China.

12 Jan 1945: [illegible] Howell [illegible] and Lieutenant (jg) M. Throwbridge were awarded the Silver Star Medal for their action against a Japanese convoy that was proceeding [illegible] of French Indochina. Their attacks contributed to the sinking of the convoy.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Apr 194[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 194[illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] Feb 194[illegible] |
| NAAF [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| NAS Edenton | [illegible] Jun 194[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 194[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] Hendricks | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Prickett | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR James N. Howell, Jr. | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| LCDR J. [illegible] MacMahon | [illegible] Jul 194[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Amsworth | [illegible] Feb 194[illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

### Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments

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### Unit Awards Received

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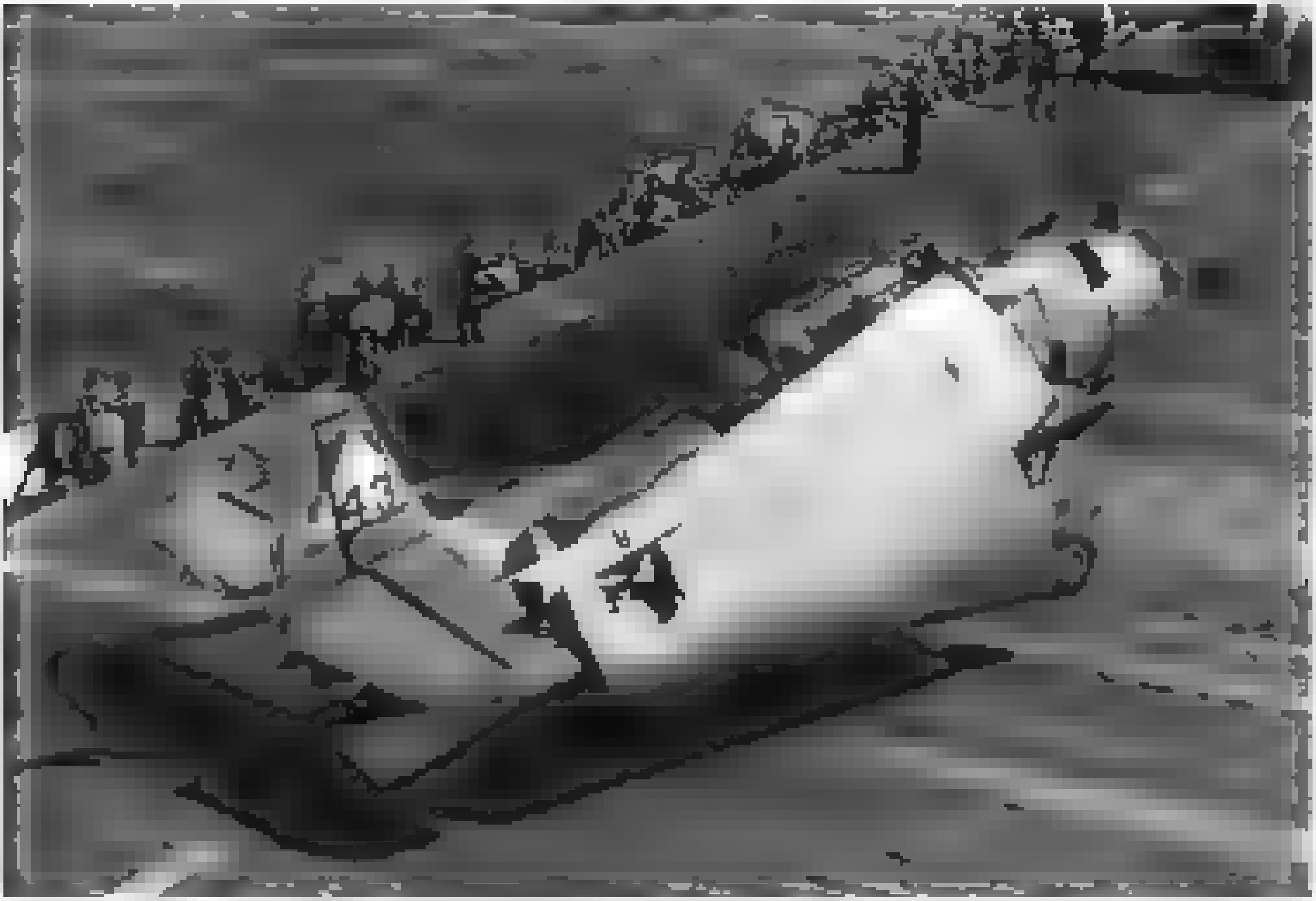

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# SECOND VA-95

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron NINETY FIVE (VA-95) on [illegible] [illegible] 1955.

It was disestablished on [illegible] April 1970. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-95 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] 1957. [illegible]

The squadron's [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] left hand [illegible] of the [illegible] with [illegible] outline [illegible] the left [illegible] dark [illegible] on the [illegible] black [illegible] the left side [illegible] the [illegible] green [illegible] the right side [illegible] the outline was green [illegible] the [illegible] was [illegible] outlined in dark [illegible]

Nickname: [illegible] 1957–1970.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] 1963: The squadron participated in [illegible] operations with the British [illegible] operating in the western Pacific.

Mar 1964: [illegible]

Nov 1964–Apr 1965: The squadron participated in [illegible] operations [illegible] against targets in Laos.

[illegible] Feb 1965: Following a [illegible] attack against the American [illegible] South Vietnam, the President ordered a [illegible] strike against North Vietnam named Flaming Dart. The squadron [illegible] However, the strike [illegible] due to poor weather conditions.

11 Feb 1965: Squadron aircraft participated in Flaming Dart II, retaliatory strikes against the North Vietnamese military [illegible] North Vietnam.

Mar 1965: The squadron participated in Rolling Thunder, [illegible] the Plan for [illegible] North Vietnam.

Apr 1966: The squadron departed Norfolk, Virginia [illegible] equipped only [illegible] attack squadrons.

Sep 1966: Following [illegible] the [illegible] of the squadron [illegible] The [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Cdr. Gerald [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| Cdr. John E. [illegible] | 10 Apr [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| Cdr. R. B. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| Cdr. Stanley E. [illegible] | Dec [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| Cdr. Dwight E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| Cdr. F. E. [illegible] | Dec [illegible] |
| Cdr. G. E. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| Cdr. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AD-6 | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AD-7 (A-1J) | Sep [illegible] |
| A-1[illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| A-1H | [illegible] |
| A-1[illegible] | [illegible] |

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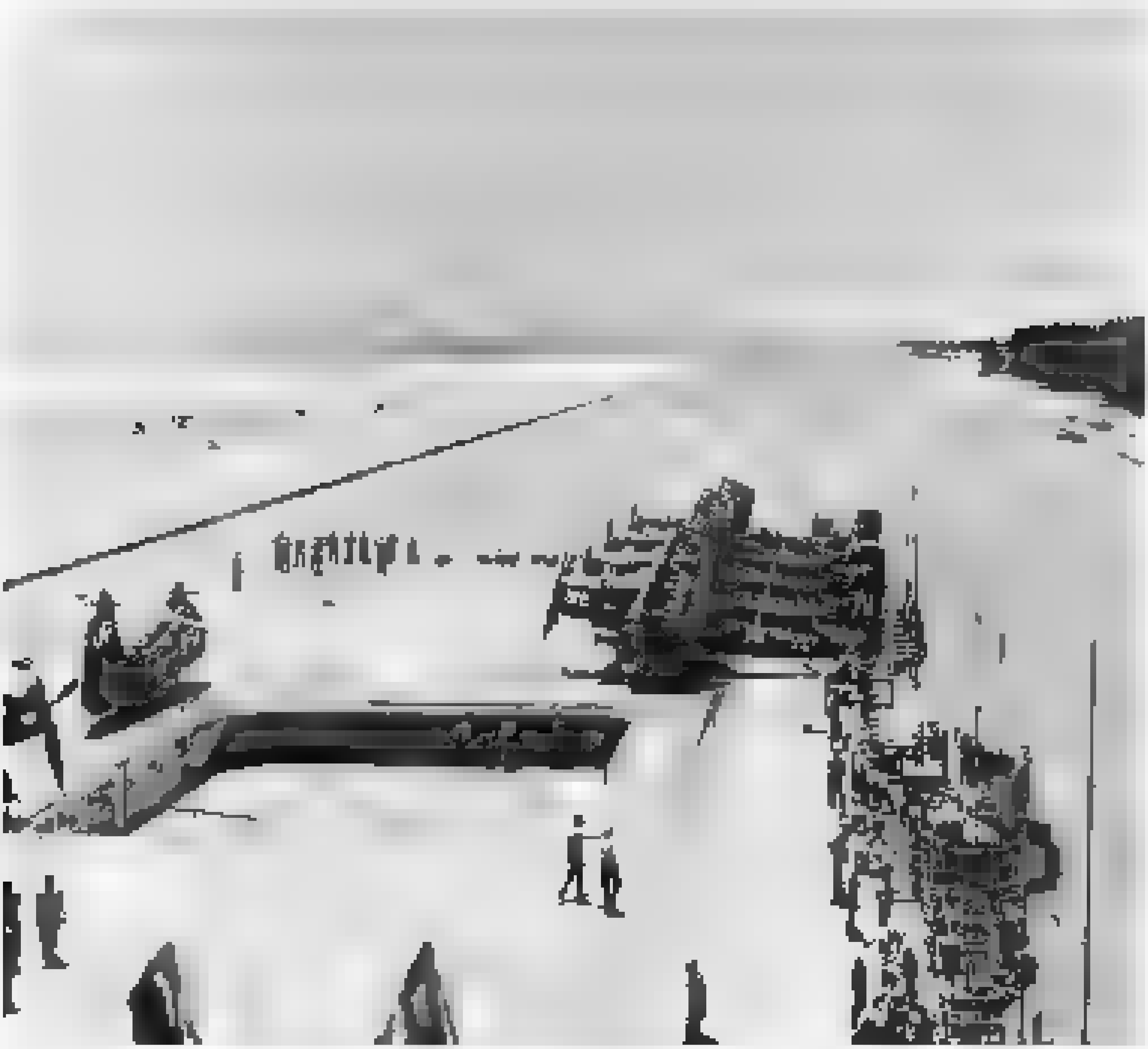

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |

[illegible]

† CVG-9 was redesignated CVW-9 when Carrier Air Group (CVG) designations were redesignated Carrier Air Wings (CVW) on 20 [illegible]

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| KPUC | 25 Jun 1953 | 27 Jul 1953 |
| NUC | 31 Jan 1953 | 27 Jul 1953 |
| AFEM | 19 Sep 1964 | 20 Sep 1964 |
| | 01 Oct 1964 | 09 Oct 1964 |
| | 28 [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 17 Jan 1965 | [illegible] Mar 1965 |
| | 04 Apr 1965 | [illegible] Apr 1965 |
| VNSM | 5 May 1966 | 5 Jun 1966 |
| | 08 Jul 1966 | 10 Aug 1966 |
| | 03 Sep 1966 | 23 Sep 1966 |
| | 02 Oct 1966 | 18 Oct 1966 |

[illegible]

# THIRD VA-95

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Oct 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 197[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/IO |
| [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac/WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Oct 19[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | World Cruise |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | East Coast to West Coast transit via Cape Horn |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVW-5 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CVW-11 | NH | [illegible] Jul 1978 |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | |
| JMUA | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| | 01 Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| | 01 Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1990 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
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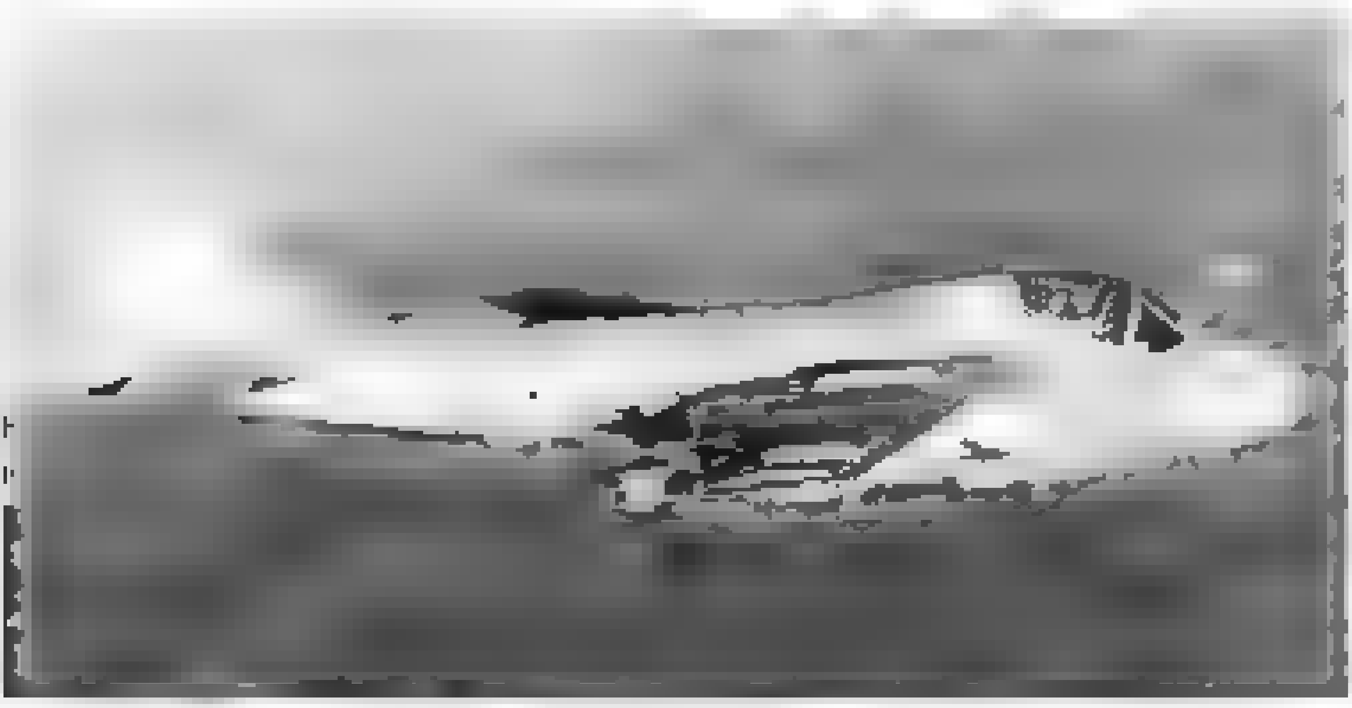

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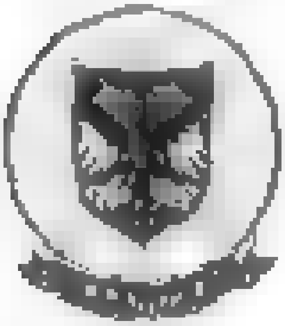
# VA-96

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron NINETY SIX (VA-96) on 15 June 1956.

Disestablished on 1 April 1958. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-96 designation.



[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

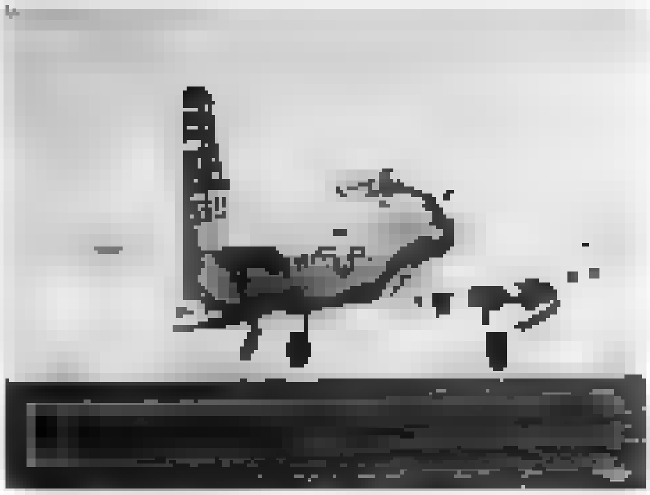
The [illegible] squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on 25 February [illegible]. Colors for the [illegible] insignia were: light blue background outlined in orange with an orange [illegible] [illegible] eagle; the eagle's wing feathers [illegible] bronze and [illegible] were white [illegible].

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

4 Jun 1957: The squadron's commanding officer, [illegible] was lost in a [illegible] operating from *Kearsarge* [illegible] the [illegible].

Sep 1957: *Kearsarge* operated in the vicinity of Taiwan to observe the build up of Chinese Communist forces opposite the offshore islands belonging to Taiwan.



[illegible] *Kearsarge* [illegible] dated [illegible] 1957 [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | 15 Jun 1956 |
| NAS Moffett Field | Aug 1956 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR William K. [illegible] | 15 Jun 1956 |
| LCDR Stanley B. Sloan | 11 Jun 1957 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AD-6 | Jul 1956 |
| AD-[illegible] | Mar 1957 |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Aug 1957 | [illegible] Apr 1958 | CVG-[illegible] | [illegible] | AD-6 | WestPac |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-[illegible] | [illegible] | 15 Jun 1956 |

[illegible]

# VA-104

## Lineage

Established as Fighter Squadron ONE HUNDRED FOUR (VF-104) on [illegible] March 1952.

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED FOUR (VA-104) on [illegible] December 1956.

Disestablished on [illegible] March 1959. The first squadron to be assigned the designation VA-104.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There [illegible] the squadron insignia. The [illegible] squadron [illegible] depicted [illegible] expansion [illegible] the [illegible] insignia [illegible] Egyptian [illegible] The [illegible] medium blue and the [illegible] white with [illegible] light and medium blue [illegible] dark [illegible] the [illegible] had a dark [illegible] red [illegible]

[illegible]

Nickname: [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

Nov 1956: During the Suez Crisis the squadron operated from [illegible] off the coast of Egypt. It provided [illegible] support for the evacuation of Americans and foreign nationals from that country.

Jul 1958: The squadron operated from [illegible] in the eastern Atlantic, ready to enter the Mediterranean if needed for the [illegible] landing in Beirut, Lebanon.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] Mar 1952* |
| NAS Jacksonville | Apr 195[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | Jan 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | Feb 195[illegible] |

* [illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1952 |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb 195[illegible] |
| CDR George [illegible] | 10 Mar 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr 195[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Mar 1952 |
| [illegible] | Nov 1952 |
| AD-6 | Jan 195[illegible] |

[illegible]

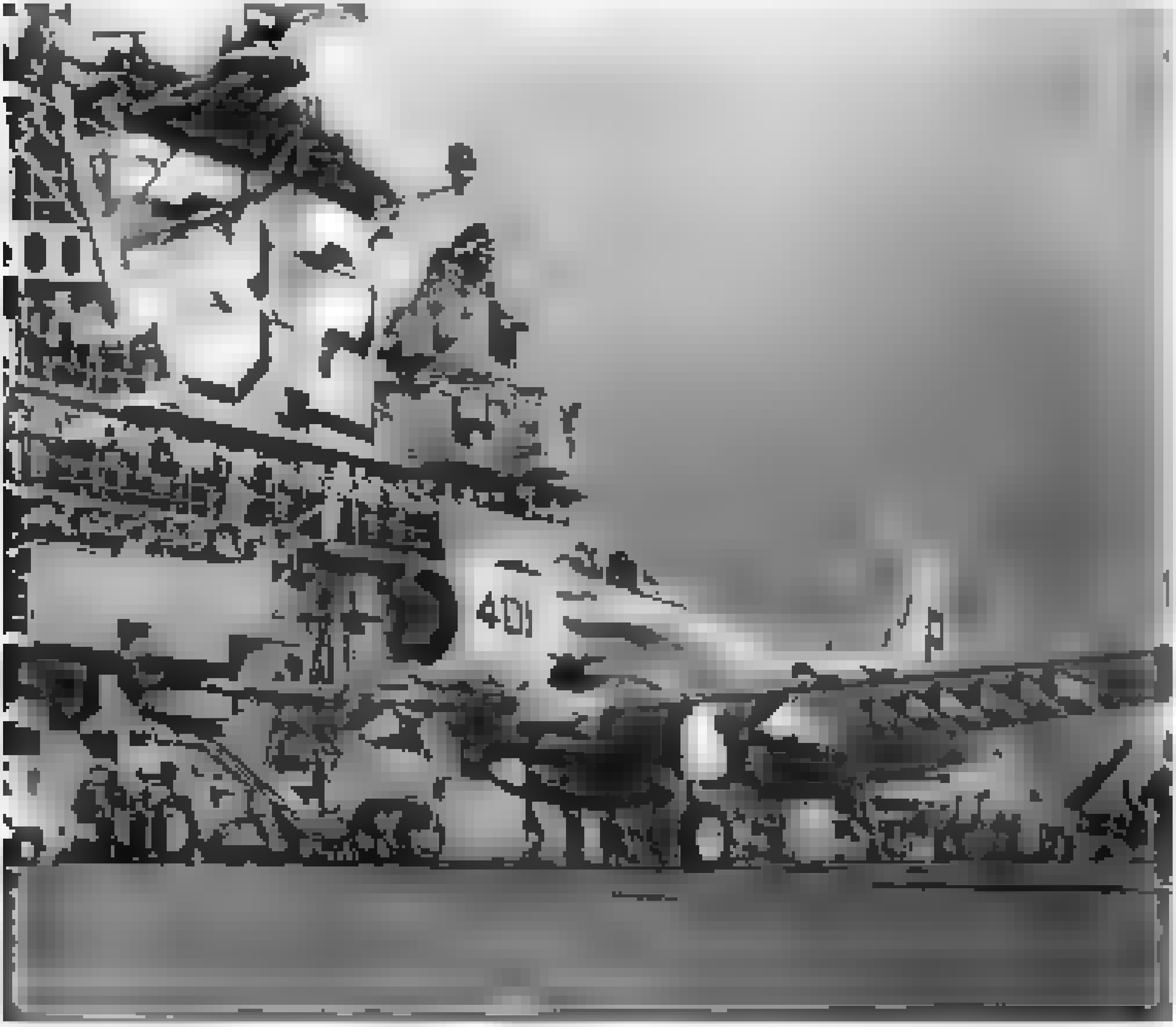
## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug 1956 | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep 1958 | [illegible] Jan 1959 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]



[illegible]

# VA-105

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-[illegible]) on [illegible] 195[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] February 19[illegible]. The [illegible] squadron to be assigned the designation VA-105.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's [illegible] insignia.

The squadron insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible]. [illegible] the winged [illegible] and bomb insignia [illegible] a black bomb superimposed on a yellow background with a red [illegible] at the front. The bomb was [illegible] with [illegible] markings and the wings were yellow with black markings.

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

8 Mar 1958: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander E[illegible] [illegible], was killed during a night [illegible] Essex [illegible].

Jul–Aug 1958: The squadron flew [illegible] support missions during the landing of [illegible] Marines in Beirut, Lebanon. Aircraft from VA-105 were the first to be on station during the landings. Squadron aircraft flew [illegible] and [illegible] missions [illegible] were [illegible] all returned to the Essex safely.

Sep 1958: When the Chinese Communists began shelling the [illegible] islands [illegible] in August, Essex was ordered to transit the Suez Canal and report to the Seventh Fleet for duty in the Taiwan Straits. The squadron flew numerous sorties in the Taiwan area until relieved on [illegible] September.

Nov 1958: When the squadron was [illegible] deployment [illegible] was changed to training [illegible] replacement [illegible] fleet [illegible] squadron.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field* | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | Jul 195[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | Apr 195[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

* [illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR E[illegible] Duncan | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR Eugene [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

[illegible] AD [illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] | CVA 11 | AD-4/4NA | Med |
| [illegible] Oct 1955 | 16 Apr 1956 | ATG-201 | CVA 20 | AD-6 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] 1958 | ATG-201 | CVA [illegible] | AD-6 | Med/WestPac |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-10 | P | 01 May 1952 |
| ATG-201 | D/AP* | [illegible] 1954 |
| RCVG-4 | AD | 16 Nov 1958 |

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* [illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 01 Jul 1953 | 30 Jun 1954 |
|  | 01 Jul 1954 | 30 Jun 1955 |
| AFEM | 16 Jul 1958 | 01 Aug 1958 |
|  | [illegible] Aug 1958 | [illegible] Aug 1958 |

# SECOND VA-106

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

Kostik became Aces when they each shot down [illegible] Zeke (Zero).

[illegible] Apr 1945: Lieutenant John M. Johnston became an Ace when he shot down [illegible] Zeke (Zero) bringing his total to eight and [illegible]. For heroism during the engagement he was awarded the Silver Star.

May 1945: The squadron participated in strikes against Kyushu and Shikoku hitting aircraft plants and airfields.

14 May 1945: The squadron's commanding officer, Lieutenant Commander [illegible], was lost in action during strikes against Kyushu.

14 May 1945: Lieutenant (jg) [illegible] became an Ace when he added [illegible] Franks (Japanese [illegible] Hayate) to his total of [illegible].

Aug 1956: Following the nationalization of the Suez Canal by Egypt [illegible] the United States and USA [illegible] in the Eastern Mediterranean as tensions [illegible] Israel and France and the United Kingdom began preparations for military action against Egypt.

[illegible] Nov 1956: On [illegible] October Israel invaded Egypt and on [illegible] France and United Kingdom joined in the invasion with the intent of reopening the Suez Canal. [illegible] and was on station in the Eastern Mediterranean during the American evacuation of Western nationals from Egypt and Israel.

Jul 1958: During the [illegible] crisis [illegible] [illegible] of the United States, the squadron [illegible] [illegible] with the British [illegible] [illegible].

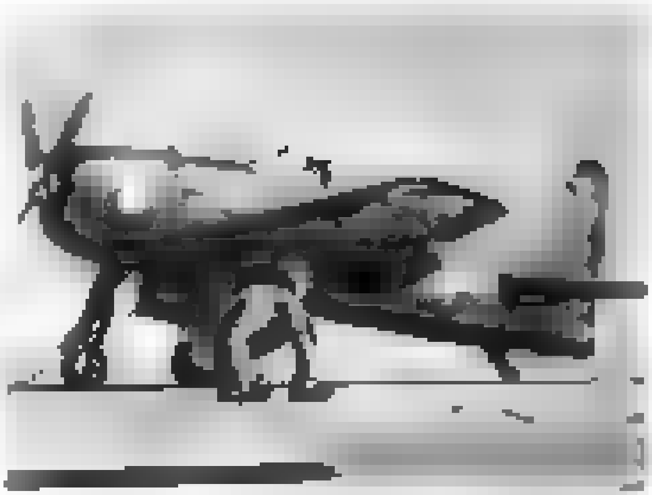
5–28 Nov 1960: Following a request from Guatemala and Nicaragua for [illegible] patrol [illegible] coasts of the [illegible] Central American [illegible] the [illegible] infiltration of communist [illegible]. The squadron operated from Shangri-La [illegible] in that patrol area.

[illegible] Jun 1961: Following the assassination of the Dominican Republic's dictator General Rafael Trujillo, the squadron operated from Shangri-La off the coast of that country until the domestic situation began to stabilize.

22 Oct–28 Nov 1962: During the Cuban Missile Crisis the squadron [illegible] deployed to the [illegible] [illegible] Air Force [illegible] stations.

Mar 1963: The squadron operated from Shangri-La [illegible] in the Caribbean during the period of [illegible] and [illegible] with the Dominican Republic.

29 Jul 1967: [illegible] from the [illegible] [illegible] Station, tragedy struck Forrestal [illegible]. A [illegible] was accidentally ignited on the flight deck, causing a chain reaction of explosions among the aircraft loaded with bombs and fuel. The squadron lost eight people and [illegible] [illegible] injured. Those killed were: [illegible] Lieutenant W. W. [illegible], R. N. Plenk, J. A. [illegible] and [illegible] R. [illegible] [illegible] A. R. [illegible] and [illegible] W. H. [illegible]. Squadron personnel were cited for their acts of heroism during the tragedy.



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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] 1945 |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NAAS Fallon | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Norfolk | [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Norfolk | [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |

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[illegible]

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] Ralph G. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT Edwin [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Edward [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR Walter [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR James E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR Ralph A. [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR William W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] P. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] G. Baldwin | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |

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## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Dec [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Dec [illegible] |
| A[illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
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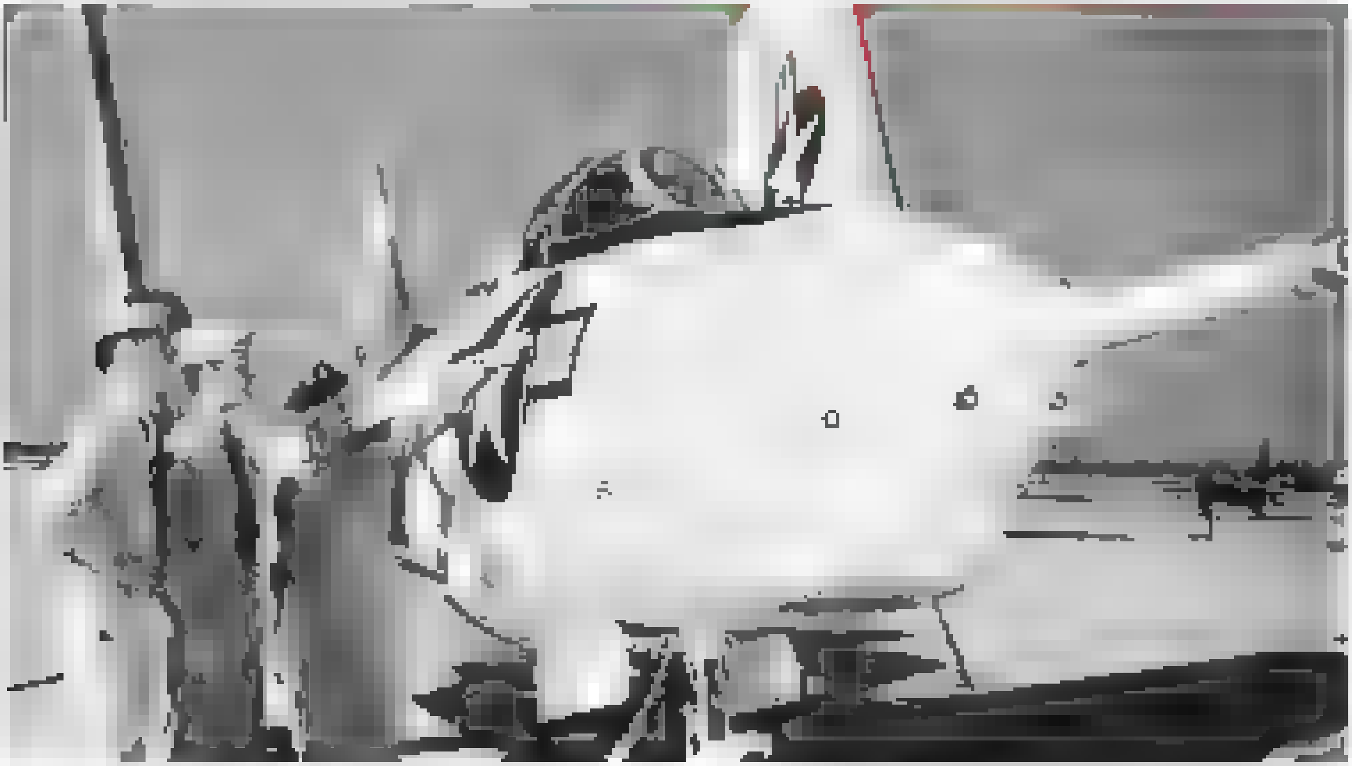
| A[illegible] | Jan [illegible] |



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### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1945 | [illegible] Jun 1945 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F6F | Pacific |
| [illegible] 1949 | [illegible] 1949 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F8F | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 1952 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-[illegible] | Korea/West Pac/Med |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-8B | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1959 | [illegible] Feb 1960 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D-2 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1965 | [illegible] Sep 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Feb 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | B | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AB | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AC | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AC | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AC | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AC | [illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1945 | Jun 1945 |
| Campaign Medal | | |
| WWII Asiatic | | |
| Pacific Area | Feb 1945 | Jun 1945 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
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| | Jan [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
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| | Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |

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## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible] Feb [illegible] [illegible]

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Apr [illegible]

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## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
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## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
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## Aircraft Assignment

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## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
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## Air Wing Assignments

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1950 | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | 01 Jan 1952 | [illegible] Jul 1952 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1950 | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1959 | 2[illegible] Apr 1959 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1959 | |
| | 1[illegible] Jul 1959 | [illegible] Jul 1959 |
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| | [illegible] Aug 1959 | |
| | 1[illegible] Sep 1959 | |
| | [illegible] Sep 1959 | [illegible] 1959 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | 12 Feb 1959 | 1[illegible] [illegible] 1959 |
| [illegible] | 2[illegible] Dec 1961 | 11 Jun 1962 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1963 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | 2[illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | 28 Apr 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] 1968 | 11 Jun 1968 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1969 | 3 Jan 1969 |
| | 29 Jan 1969 | 1[illegible] Apr 1969 |
| | 0[illegible] Jan 1969 | 11 Jun 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1969 | 11 Aug 1969 |

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## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] |
| NAB Espiritu Santo, the New Hebrides | Feb [illegible] |
| NAF [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Aug [illegible] |
| NAS Hilo | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NAAS Fallon | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAAS Santa Rosa | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Kahului, Hawaii | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Weldon L. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT Eugene [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Edmund John [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LT Eugene [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR F. E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR E. [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Feb [illegible] | Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Campaign Medal | | |
| Asiatic-Pacific | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | |
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# VA-115

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nicknames

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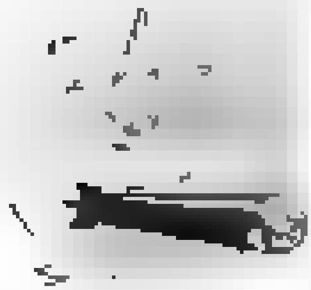

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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[illegible]

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Lieutenant Commander R. Dennison, Jr., was lost on a [illegible]

[illegible]

the landings at Lingayen Gulf, [illegible]

[illegible]

15 September. During and after the invasion, the [illegible] the areas surrounding Inchon, striking at targets of opportunity [illegible]

[illegible]

portation, communication, industrial and supply facili[illegible]

[illegible]

the Republic of China during the shelling of the Quemoy Islands area by the [illegible]

[illegible]

in active status on 1 January 1970 [illegible]

[illegible]

No. 15, were ordered to deploy to the Indian Ocean [illegible]

[illegible]

refugees, leading to their rescue by Midway (CVA 41) [illegible]

[illegible]

and operating in the Sea of Japan to demonstrate U.S. [illegible]

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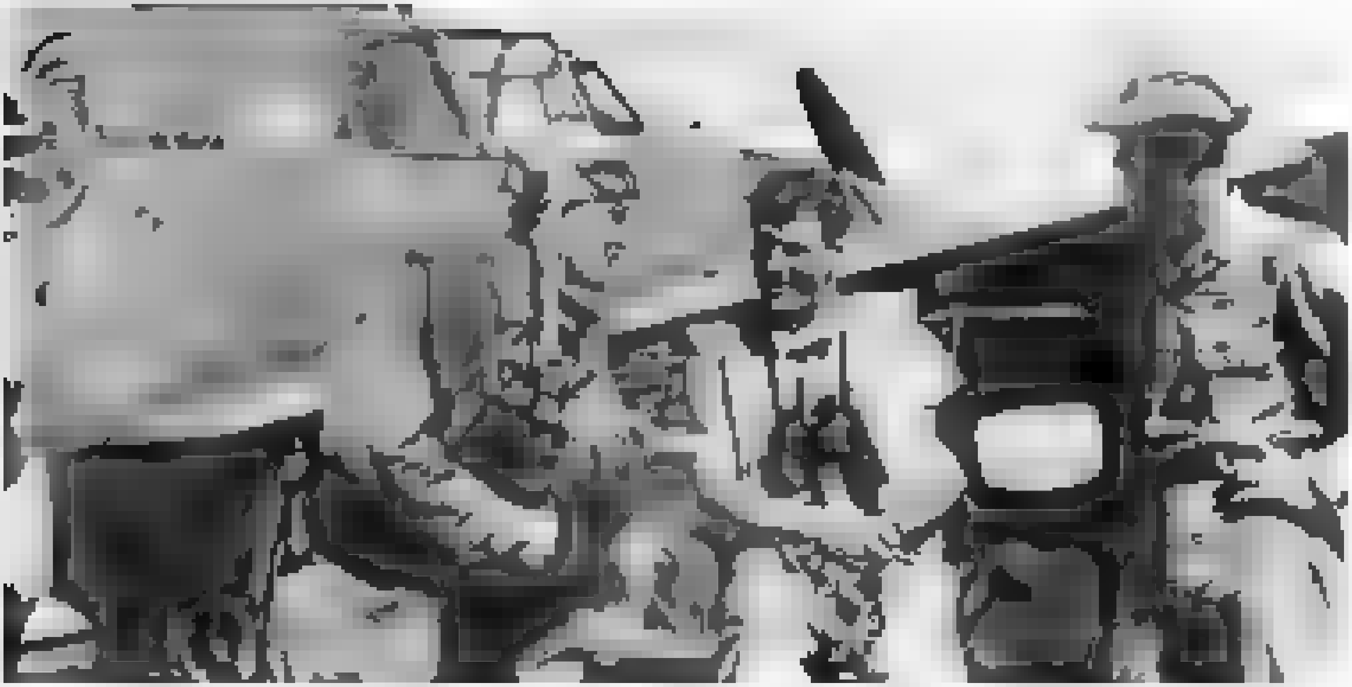

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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Pearl Harbor | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| NAF [illegible] in the Fiji Islands | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAF Guadalcanal (Henderson Field) | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] June [illegible] |
| NAS Hilo | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAAS Fallon | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] Base | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Kodiak | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| NS [illegible] NAF [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Frederick [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR John A. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
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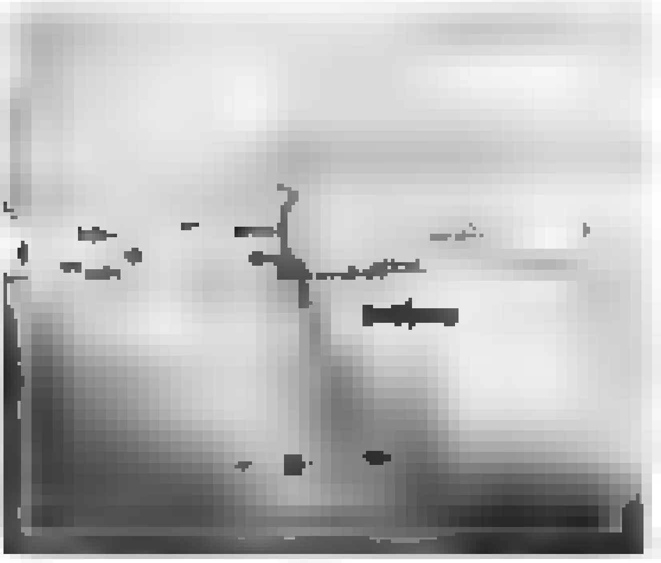

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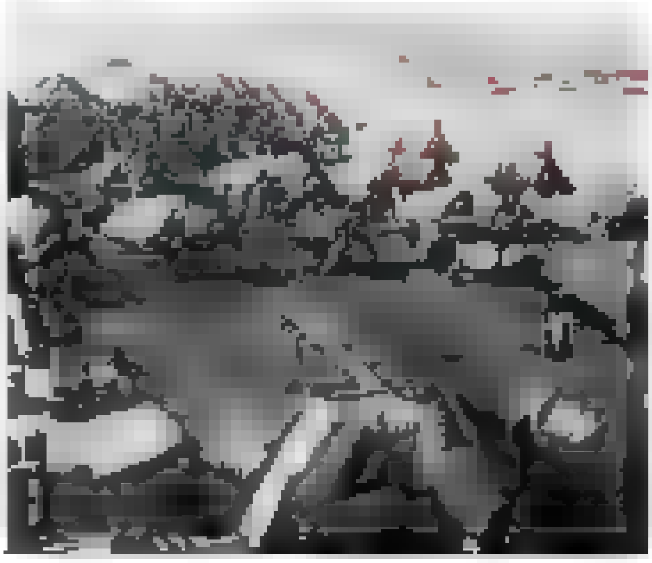

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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## *Major Overseas Deployments—Continued*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | AD-6 | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | AD-6 | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | AD-7 | WestPac | |
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| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | AD-6 | [illegible] | |
| 4 Sep 1962 | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVG-11 | CVA 63 | A-1H/J | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-11 | CVA 63 | A-1H/J | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | CVW-11 | CVA 63 | A-1H/J | WestPac | Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-5 | CVA 19 | A-1H | WestPac | Vietnam |
| 16 Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/KA-6D | WestPac | Vietnam |
| 10 Apr 1972 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | Vietnam |
| 11 Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1974 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1975 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] 1975 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1975 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac/IO | |
| 4 Mar 1976 | 26 Apr 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | 04 Aug 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| 19 Apr 1977 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO | |
| [illegible] Apr 1978 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| 07 Apr 1979 | [illegible] Jun 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | IO | |
| 20 Aug 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| 30 Sep 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1980 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | IO | |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO | |
| [illegible] Feb 1981 | [illegible] Jun 1981 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO | |
| [illegible] Jun 1981 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Sep 1981 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| 26 Apr 1982 | [illegible] Jun 1982 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Sep 1982 | [illegible] Dec 1982 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac/WestPac | |
| [illegible] Jun 1983 | 4 Aug 1983 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | 1 Dec 1983 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] 1984 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | IO | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1984 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Jun 1985 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | IO/WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1985 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| 4 Apr 1987 | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| 15 Oct 1987 | [illegible] Apr 1988 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] Feb 1989 | [illegible] Apr 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac | |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departure | Date Return | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| Aug 1980 | Oct 1980 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Feb 1981 | [illegible] Apr 1981 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | WestPac [illegible]<br>[illegible] |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
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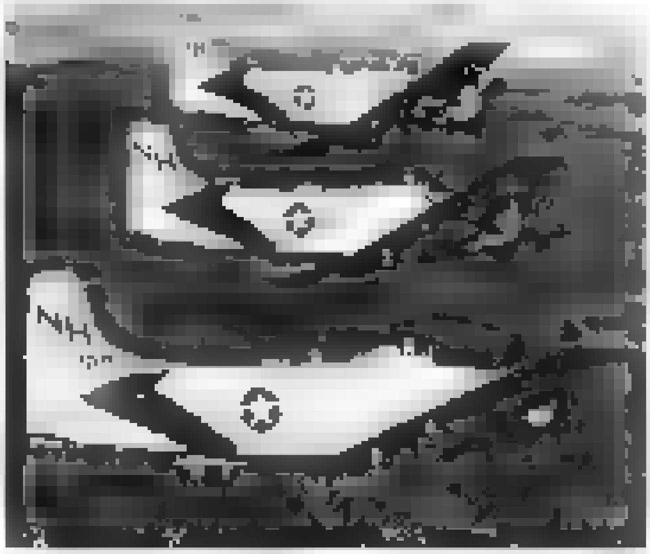

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| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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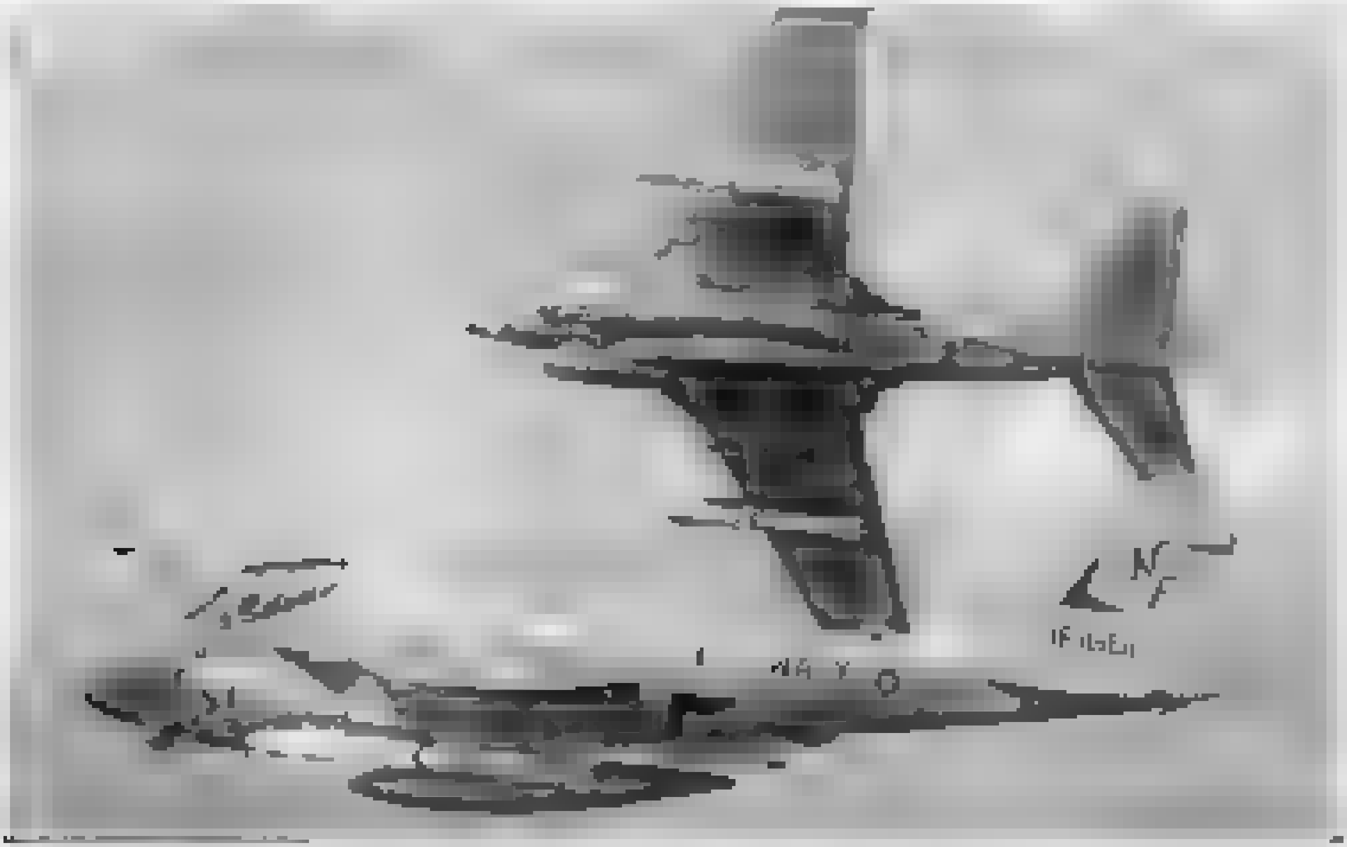

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### *Unit Awards Received—Continued*

| Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 12 Jun 1945 | |
| | 16 Jun 1945 | |
| KPUC | 01 Aug 1950 | 16 Mar 1951 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1952 |
| NUC | 04 Aug 1950 | 16 Mar 1951 |
| | 26 Nov 1965 | 14 May 1966 |
| | 29 Apr 1975 | 30 Apr 1975 |
| | 01 Jun 1978 | 30 Jun 1979 |
| | 17 Jan 1991 | 07 Feb 1991 |
| SASM | [illegible] 1991 | [illegible] 1991 |
| KLM | 17 Jan 1991 | 28 Feb 1991 |
| NAVE | 01 Jul 1959 | 30 Jun 1960 |
| | 01 Jul 1961 | [illegible] Oct 1962 |
| | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] |
| | 01 Jul 1977 | 31 Dec 1978 |
| | 01 Jan 1979 | 30 Jun 1980 |
| AFEM | 20 May 1964 | 10 Jun 1964 |
| | 17 Oct 1971 | 19 Oct 1971 |
| | 29 Apr 1975 | 30 Apr 1975 |
| HSM | 29 Apr 1975 | 30 Apr 1975 |
| MUC | 20 Jun 1967 | 4 Jul 1967 |
| | 07 May 1971 | 28 Oct 1971 |
| | [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1981 |
| | 27 Jul 1982 | 01 May 1984 |
| | 5 Oct 1989 | 29 Oct 1989 |
| NEM | 5 Apr 1979 | 06 Jun 1979 |

### *Unit Awards Received—Continued*

| Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1981 |
| | 19 Aug 1980 | 4 Nov 1980 |
| | 12 Mar 1981 | 19 May 1981 |
| RVNGC | 30 Mar 1972 | 5 Jul 1972 |
| VNSM | 25 Nov 1965 | 23 Dec 1965 |
| | 15 Jan 1966 | 04 Feb 1966 |
| | 18 Feb 1966 | 14 Mar 1966 |
| | 03 Apr 1966 | 29 Apr 1966 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1967 | [illegible] 1967 |
| | 5 [illegible] 1967 | [illegible] Apr 1967 |
| | 28 Apr 1967 | 11 Jun 1967 |
| | 12 Jun 1967 | [illegible] Jun 1967 |
| | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] Jun 1971 |
| | 30 Jun 1971 | 20 Jul 1971 |
| | 31 Jul 1971 | 7 Aug 1971 |
| | 26 Sep 1971 | 1 Oct 1971 |
| | 01 May 1972 | 03 Jun 1972 |
| | 1 Jun 1972 | 17 Jul 1972 |
| | 16 Jul 1972 | 3 Aug 1972 |
| | 3 Aug 1972 | 10 Sep 1972 |
| | 19 Sep 1972 | 12 Oct 1972 |
| | 25 Oct 1972 | 23 Nov 1972 |
| | [illegible] 1972 | [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1972 | |
| | 04 Jan 1974 | 24 Jan 1973 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1973 | 19 Feb 1973 |

# VA-122

## Lineage

Established as Composite Squadron THIRTY FIVE (VC-35) on 25 May 1950.

Redesignated Attack Squadron All Weather THIRTY FIVE (VA(AW)-35) on 1 July 1956.

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE TWENTY TWO (VA-122) on 29 June 1959.

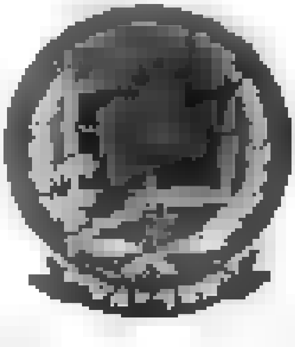
Disestablished on 31 May 1991. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-122 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on 5 September 1951. Colors for the VC-35 insignia: [illegible] background with a black and white [illegible] the [illegible] were [illegible].

The squadron's first [illegible] design.

Following the redesignation [illegible] the squadron requested permission for a new insignia. The new design was approved by CNO on [illegible] April 1960. The [illegible] of the eagle and [illegible] insignia were [illegible] blue background [illegible] the insignia was [illegible] with a white [illegible] a [illegible] yellow beak [illegible] white head [illegible] feathers [illegible] three red bands and [illegible] scroll [illegible] lettering was black.



The [illegible]

Nickname: Flying Eagles, 1960–1991.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**May 1950:** The squadron was established with a mission of all weather attack and ASW. The squadron trained detachments for carrier deployments and also participated in numerous exercises held on the west coast.

**9 Nov 1950–9 Jun 1951:** [illegible] the squadron's first deployment to the [illegible] It [illegible] Korea and flew ASW [illegible] and other [illegible] missions for the squadron detachments that deployed to Korea.

**29 Jun 1959:** The squadron's mission was changed from all-weather attack to fleet replacement training. It was responsible for transition flight training for [illegible] pilots, including ground school [illegible] ground training for Skyraider maintenance personnel, and the training of fleet replacement pilots in the AD Skyraider.

**Jun–Aug 1960:** The squadron trained eight pilots from the South Vietnamese Air Force in the operation of the AD Skyraider.

**Nov 1966:** With the introduction of the A-7 Corsair II the squadron took on the additional mission of fleet replacement training in the new aircraft.

**1967:** [illegible] was the first squadron to be trained in the [illegible]

**Dec 1969:** The squadron gained with [illegible] Light Attack Weapons School which involved three intensive weeks of classroom and flight [illegible] phases of attack [illegible]

**[illegible]:** [illegible] Weapons [illegible] which [illegible] the [illegible] Weapons School [illegible] and was designated Light Attack Weapons School Pacific.

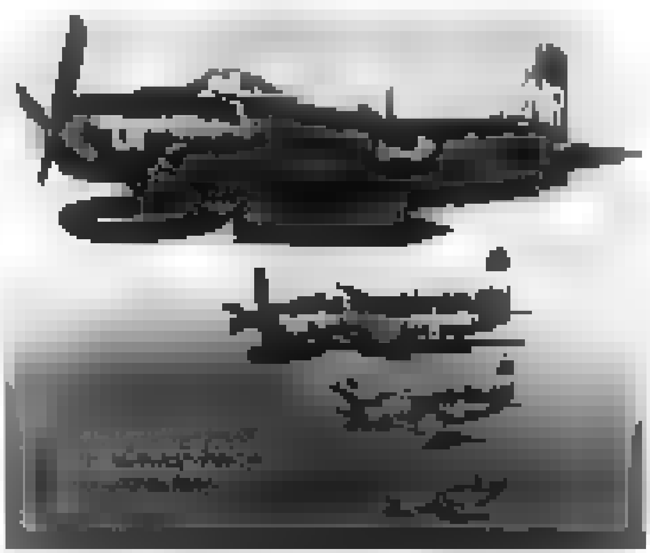
**30 Jun 1986:** With the disestablishment of [illegible] the East Coast Fleet Readiness squadron for the A-7, [illegible] assumed the responsibility for A-7 transition on both coasts.

**May 1991:** Prior to [illegible] disestablishment it had trained and graduated over [illegible] light attack pilots and over [illegible] highly skilled maintenance personnel during its tenure as a fleet replacement training squadron.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS San Diego (North Island)* | May 1950 |
| NAS Moffett Field | 11 Jan 1961 |
| NAS Lemoore | 01 Jan 1962 |

*NAS San Diego [illegible]



## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Charles B. Stapler | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] May 195[illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] (acting) | 25 Aug 1951 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. Burke, Jr. | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| CDR Frank G. Edwards (acting) | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. Burke, Jr. | 25 Nov 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1953 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CAPT [illegible] Wendell | 1[illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| CAPT [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | 2[illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 23 Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Carl Bardwell, Jr. | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR Alelvin M. Quinn, Jr. | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] III | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible], Jr. | 1[illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] III | 10 Aug 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible], Jr. | 10 Aug 197[illegible] |
| CAPT [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 2[illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 09 Sep 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 198[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CAPT Jeffery Harrison | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AD-4N | Jun 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| AD-5Q | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 19[illegible] |
| TA-7C | 197[illegible] |

[illegible] designations were changed to A-1E [illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Tail Code | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | 09 Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | Korea |
| 0[illegible] Dec [illegible] | 09 Jun [illegible] | | | | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | 29 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | | | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | [illegible]<br>AD-4[illegible]<br>AD-4[illegible]<br>& [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | AD-4[illegible] | Korea |
| 1[illegible] Oct [illegible] | 0[illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | CV-[illegible] | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] & AD-[illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] Dec [illegible] | 0[illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | CV-[illegible] | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] & [illegible] | Korea |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | [illegible] | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1951 | 25 [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A | AD-4N/-4Q/-4N/-4NL | Korea |
| [illegible] Jan 1952 | 11 Nov 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | E | AD-4NL, -4Q & -4Q | Korea |
| 1[illegible] Jun 1952 | 0[illegible] Feb 1953 | ATG | [illegible] |  | AD-4N | Korea/WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Jun 1952 | Sep 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | W | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Aug 1952 | [illegible] Mar 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F | [illegible] | Korea |
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| [illegible] 1952 | 25 Jun 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | B | [illegible] | Korea |
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| [illegible] Jan 1953 | 28 Nov 1953 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1953 | [illegible] Jan 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| 03 Aug 1953 | 05 Mar 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1953 | 2[illegible] Apr 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | E | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Dec 1953 | 2 Jul 1954 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1954 | [illegible] 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1954 | [illegible] Nov 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | B | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1954 | [illegible] Dec 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | M | [illegible] | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Jul 1954 | 28 Feb 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | N | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1954 | [illegible] Apr 1955 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1954 | [illegible] Mar 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1954 | 2[illegible] Jun 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1955 | 2[illegible] 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | E | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1955 | [illegible] Nov 1955 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1955 | 0[illegible] Feb 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 10 Aug 1955 | 5 Mar 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1955 | [illegible] Mar 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | B | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1956 | 2[illegible] Jun 1956 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1956 | 4 Jun 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | M | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Jan 1956 | 4 [illegible] 1956 | ATG | [illegible] | K | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1956 | 5 [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1956 | 20 Dec 1956 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Jul 1956 | 20 Jan 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 16 Aug 1956 | 28 Feb 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1956 | 20 Mar 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1957 | 25 Jul 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1957 | 25 Aug 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | E | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 06 Apr 1957 | 8 [illegible] 1957 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 19 Apr 1957 | [illegible] 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 10 Jul 1957 | [illegible] Dec 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | B | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 09 Aug 1957 | 0[illegible] Apr 1958 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Sep 1957 | 25 Apr 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | M | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1958 | 30 Jun 1958 | ATG | [illegible] | K | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | 0[illegible] 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1958 | 2[illegible] Nov 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1958 | [illegible] Dec 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 16 Aug 1958 | [illegible] Mar 1959 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 31 Aug 1958 | 2 Jun 1959 | ATG | [illegible] | K | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] Feb 1959 | ATG | [illegible] |  | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1959 | 8 Jun 1959 | [illegible] | [illegible] | E | [illegible] | WestPac |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Tail Code | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1959 | [illegible] Jul 1959 | | CVA [illegible] | [illegible] | AD | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1959 | [illegible] 1959 | | CVA 38 | | AD | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1959 | [illegible] Dec 1959 | | CVA [illegible] | | AD | WestPac |

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[illegible] WestPac [illegible]

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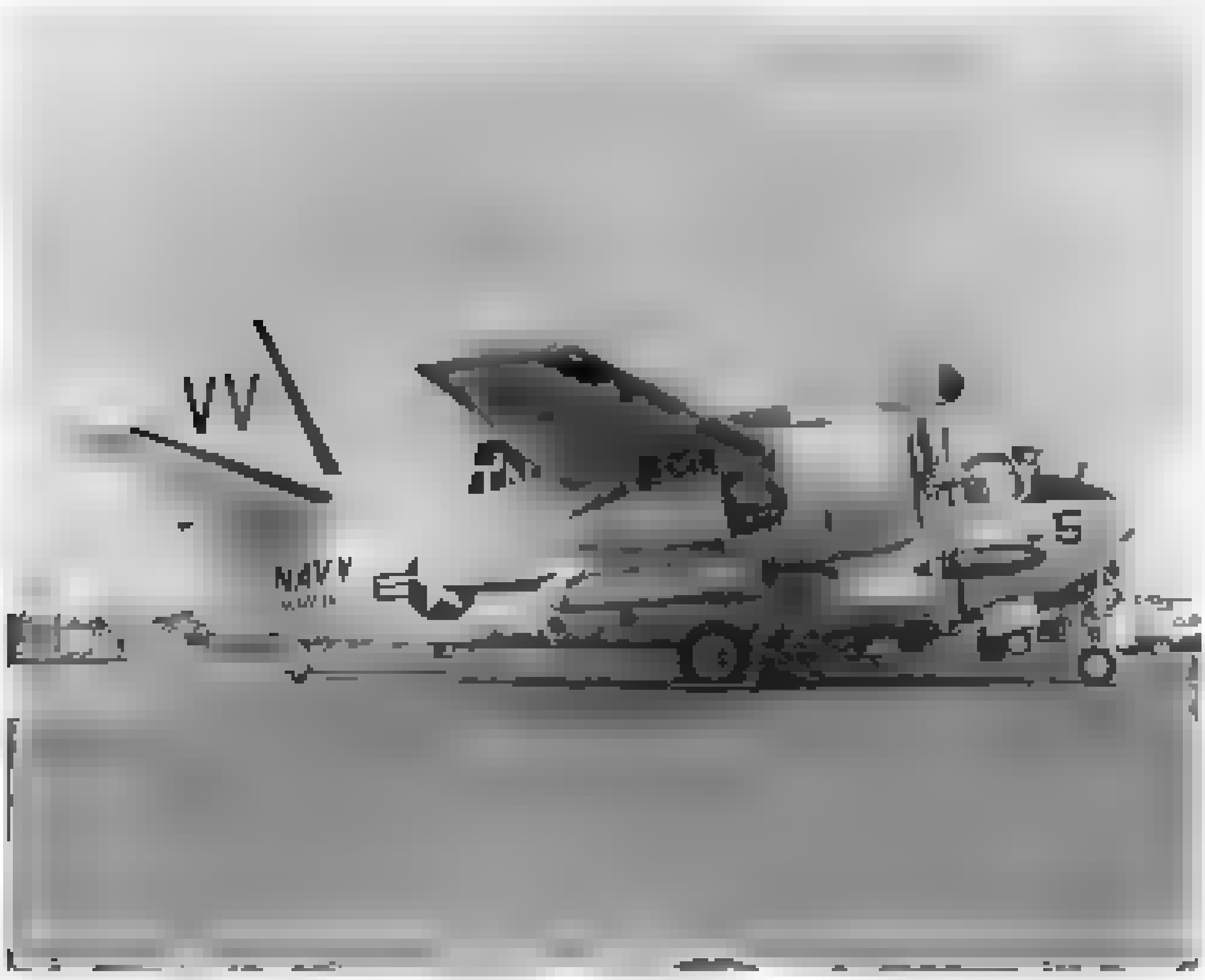


[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA-125

## Lineage

Reserve Attack Squadron [illegible] was [illegible] established during the [illegible] of the Naval Air Reserve in [illegible] and [illegible] in an [illegible] status.

Redesignated Reserve Attack Squadron [illegible] THREE [illegible] on [illegible] 195[illegible].

Reserve Attack Squadron [illegible] was called to active duty on 3 [illegible] 195[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE (VA-125) on [illegible] February 195[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] 1958. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-125 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

There is [illegible] [illegible] squadron [illegible] insignia [illegible] used by the squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] 195[illegible]–195[illegible].

## Chronology of Significant Events

Feb 195[illegible]: The squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was killed in action in Korea

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

The squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 195[illegible] [illegible].

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Apr 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 15 [illegible] 195[illegible] |

[illegible] 195[illegible] [illegible].

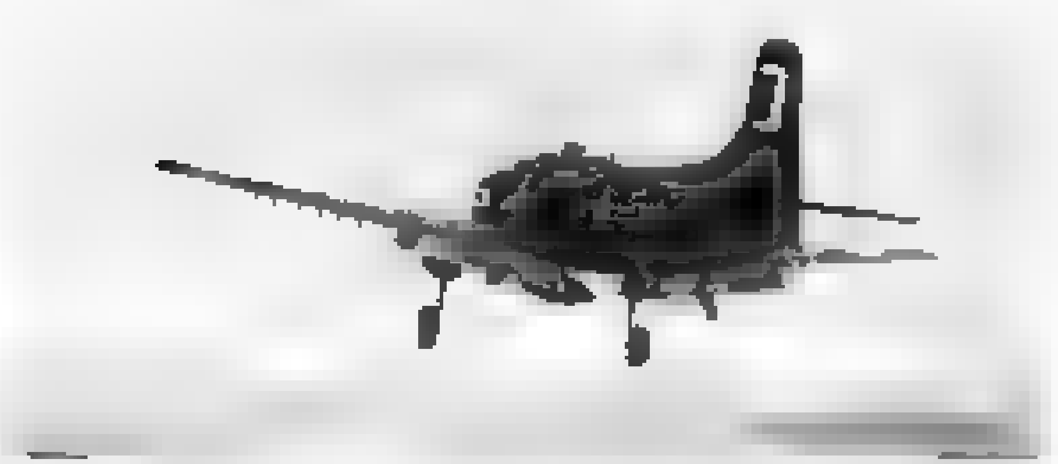
## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

The squadron was [illegible] 195[illegible] [illegible].

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] Sep 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |



[illegible]

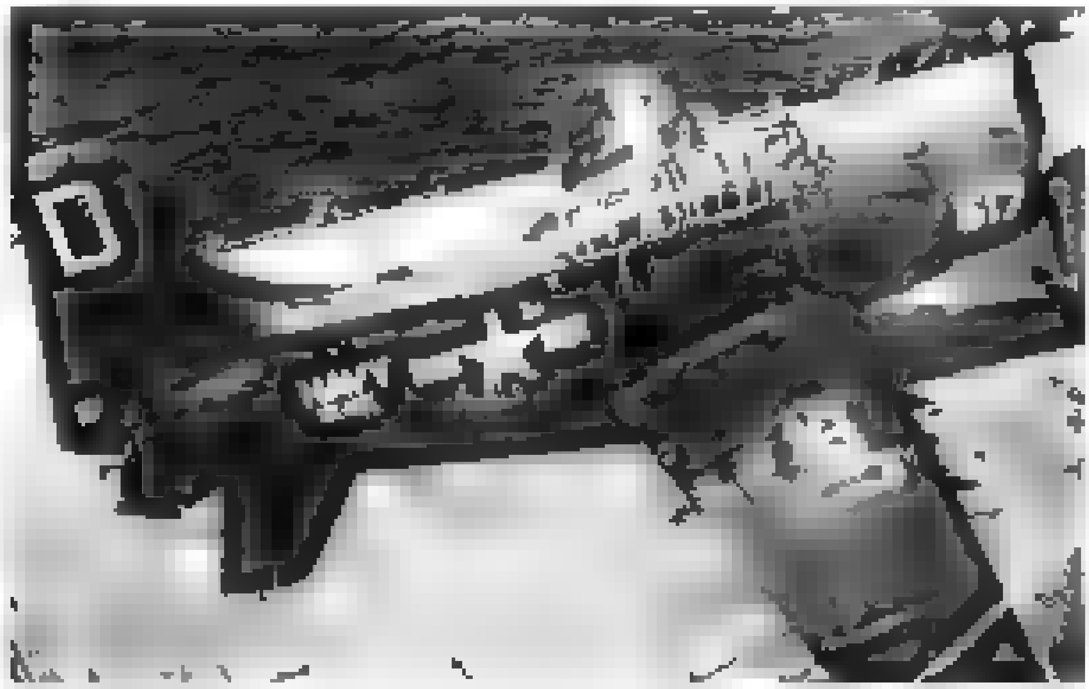
## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| KSM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |



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# SECOND VA-125

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWENTY SIX (VA-26) on 30 June 1956.

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE (VA-125) on 11 April 1958.

Disestablished on [illegible] October [illegible]. The second squadron to be assigned the designation [illegible].

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

VA-26's [illegible] insignia.

The squadron's first insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] December 1956. Colors for the insignia were: black [illegible] background; [illegible] black; [illegible] white scroll and border in black with black lettering; white stars; [illegible] a [illegible] border with white [illegible] markings; the lightning bolt [illegible]; [illegible] in black; the tongue and inside of the mouth in red.

When the squadron's mission was changed to a new training [illegible], VA-125 [illegible] 1959 [illegible] for the [illegible] insignia [illegible] Skyhawk [illegible] 1958 [illegible].

Nickname: Rough Raiders, [illegible].

VA-125's [illegible] insignia [illegible].

## Chronology of Significant Events

Apr 1958: The squadron's mission was changed from a light ground attack role to the indoctrination and training of pilots and enlisted personnel in attack aircraft for assignment to combat fleet squadrons.

Dec 1958: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander J. E. Thomas, was killed in an aircraft accident.

May 1960: With the addition of the [illegible] Skyhawk, the squadron added [illegible] and [illegible] flying training to its flight syllabus.

[illegible] May 1960: VA-125 was the first squadron on the West Coast to receive the [illegible] Skyhawk.

Jun 1965: The first of several groups of Australian pilots began training with the squadron in the A-4 Skyhawk. The pilots were to form the nucleus of Australia's first A-4 squadron scheduled for assignment to HMAS Melbourne (R-21).

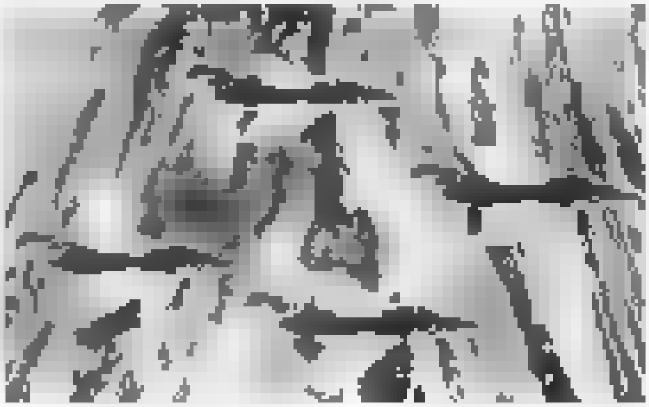
3 Mar 1967: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander [illegible], was killed in an aircraft accident during a routine carrier qualification exercise on the [illegible].

3 Mar 1969: The first A-7 Fleet Replacement Pilot class began.

30 Jun 1969: The first A-7 Fleet Replacement Enlisted Maintenance training program was completed.

Nov 1969: The squadron began to develop the squadron's training program for the Light Attack Weapons School. In December 1969 the squadron, in conjunction with VA-122, inaugurated a graduate level course for the Light Attack Weapons School that covered all phases of attack aviation.

Jan 1970: The last A-4 Fleet Replacement Enlisted Maintenance and Fleet Replacement Pilot classes began.



[illegible] squadron [illegible] 195[illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | 30 Jun 1956 |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] 1956 |
| NAS Lemoore | 24 Jul 196[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Kenneth [illegible] | 30 Jun 1956 |
| LCDR [illegible] | Apr 1957 |
| LCDR J. E. Thomas | 5 Jul 1957 |
| LCDR F. E. W[illegible], Jr. | Jan 1959 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1957 | Apr 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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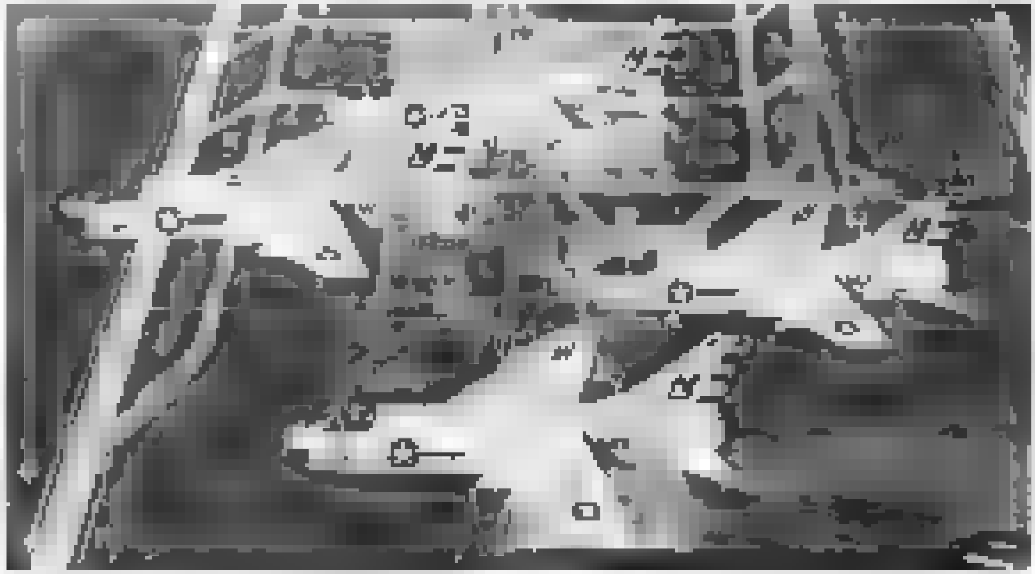


# VA-128

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT (VA-128) on 1 September 1967. It was the first squadron to be assigned the VA-128 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's [illegible] insignia and [illegible] nickname.

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 8 August 1968. Colors for the Phoenix insignia: [illegible] background for the insignia and scroll, outlined in gold; the [illegible] Phoenix and the lettering are also gold.

Nickname: Golden Intruders, 1967–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Sep 1967:** The squadron was assigned the mission of training combat ready flight crews and replacement maintenance personnel for the A-6 Intruder.

**Apr 1968:** Two [illegible] Air Force exchange officers reported aboard for training in the A-6A.

**Jun 197[illegible]:** [illegible] officers from the Federal Republic of Germany reported aboard for training in the A-6.

**Mar–May 1980:** The squadron's TRAM (Target Recognition Attack Multisensor) equipped aircraft was used to monitor the volcanic activity of Mount St. Helens in Washington prior to its major eruption on 18 May. The squadron's work aided the U.S. Geological Survey in assessing [illegible] hazards, forecasting the eruption [illegible] hundreds of lives [illegible] the eruption [illegible] a possible [illegible] place the [illegible] States Geological Survey [illegible].

**Oct 1980:** The squadron assumed the additional duty of training all Marine A-6 personnel on the West Coast following the disestablishment of VMAT(AW)-202.

**1990:** The squadron [illegible] as [illegible] composite wing A-6 on the West Coast.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Whidbey Island | 01 Sep 1967 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR W. B. Warwick | 01 Sep 1967 |
| CDR [illegible] R. Harding Jr. | 10 Dec 1968 |
| CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | 30 Jan 1970 |
| CDR [illegible] W. Bergman | [illegible] 1971 |
| CDR Robert W. [illegible] | 17 Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | 16 Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR George E. [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] F. W[illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] F. Ball | [illegible] Feb 1978 |
| CDR [illegible] Baker | [illegible] Jan 1979 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] Smith | 11 Jun 1980 |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | 11 Jul 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Williams | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Patrick [illegible] | 6 Jan 198[illegible] |
| CDR Robert B. Whittenberg | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Wood | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Kenneth [illegible] Blake | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 199[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 199[illegible] |

Squadron's [illegible] Intruder [illegible].

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA-133

## Lineage

[illegible] August 196[illegible]

[illegible] VA-1[illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Blue Knights [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

Aug 196[illegible]: [illegible]

[illegible] Feb [illegible]

[illegible] May 196[illegible]: [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | Aug 196[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Sep 196[illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Aug 196[illegible] |

# SECOND VA-134

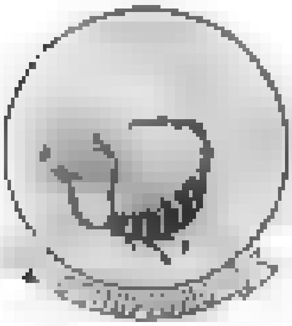
## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-134) on [illegible] August 1961.

Disestablished on [illegible] October [illegible]. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-134 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible]. The [illegible] insignia were [illegible] orange background and [illegible] outlined in black; [illegible] outlined in black with [illegible] blue [illegible] and orange [illegible] outlined in black. [illegible] with white highlights; the lettering [illegible] in black.



[illegible]

Nickname: Scorpions, 1961.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Aug 1961: The squadron was established as part of a new air group to increase the strength of the fleet during the Berlin Crisis of 1961–1962.

Feb 1962: The squadron was aboard Constellation [illegible] trials and [illegible] for possible assistance during Project Mercury, [illegible] John Glenn [illegible] Friendship 7.

Mar–May 1962: The squadron [illegible] Constellation's shakedown cruise to the Caribbean.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Cecil Field | 1 Aug 1961 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Kenneth R. Nestor | Aug 1961 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A4D-2 | Sep 1961 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-13 | AE | 1 Aug 1961 |

[illegible]

# VA-135

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron [illegible] on [illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron FOURTEEN A (VA-[illegible]) on [illegible] November [illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] on [illegible] August [illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] November [illegible]. [illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] white background with a green border. [illegible] red head and [illegible] beak and [illegible] green and the propeller [illegible] with [illegible] and a red [illegible].

Nickname: [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

4 Nov [illegible]: The squadron [illegible].

[illegible] Jan [illegible]: [illegible]

6 Feb [illegible]: [illegible]

[illegible] Feb [illegible]: The squadron participated in [illegible].

[illegible] Mar [illegible]: [illegible] due to [illegible] operational accident.

5 [illegible]: The squadron [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Point | [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAAF [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAAF [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAAF [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] E. [illegible] Jr. (acting) | Jul [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR Albert [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBF-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBF-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBF | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-[illegible] | Pacific |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | TBM-3E | WestPac |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# SECOND VA-135

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-135) on [illegible] August 1961.

Disestablished on [illegible] October 1962. The [illegible] squadron to be assigned the VA-1[illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved [illegible] 1961. The [illegible] was similar to the insignia that had been used by the first VA-[illegible] [illegible] for the insignia were: upper background light blue with white [illegible] and dark [illegible] background outlined in green with a green scroll and white letters; [illegible] with white [illegible] and black outline; the head [illegible] with a white star [illegible] at the [illegible] outlined in black; [illegible] green [illegible] and [illegible] outlined in [illegible] white [illegible] with black [illegible] [illegible] with black stripes [illegible] with black markings and outlines; yellow [illegible] with black markings and outlines.

[illegible]

Nickname: Thunderbirds, 1961.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Aug 1961: The squadron was established as part of [illegible] to increase the strength of the fleet during the Berlin Crisis of 1961–1962.

[illegible] Mar 1962: The squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the Caribbean.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Jacksonville | Aug 1961 |
| NAS Cecil Field | 10 Aug 1961 |

## Commanding Officers

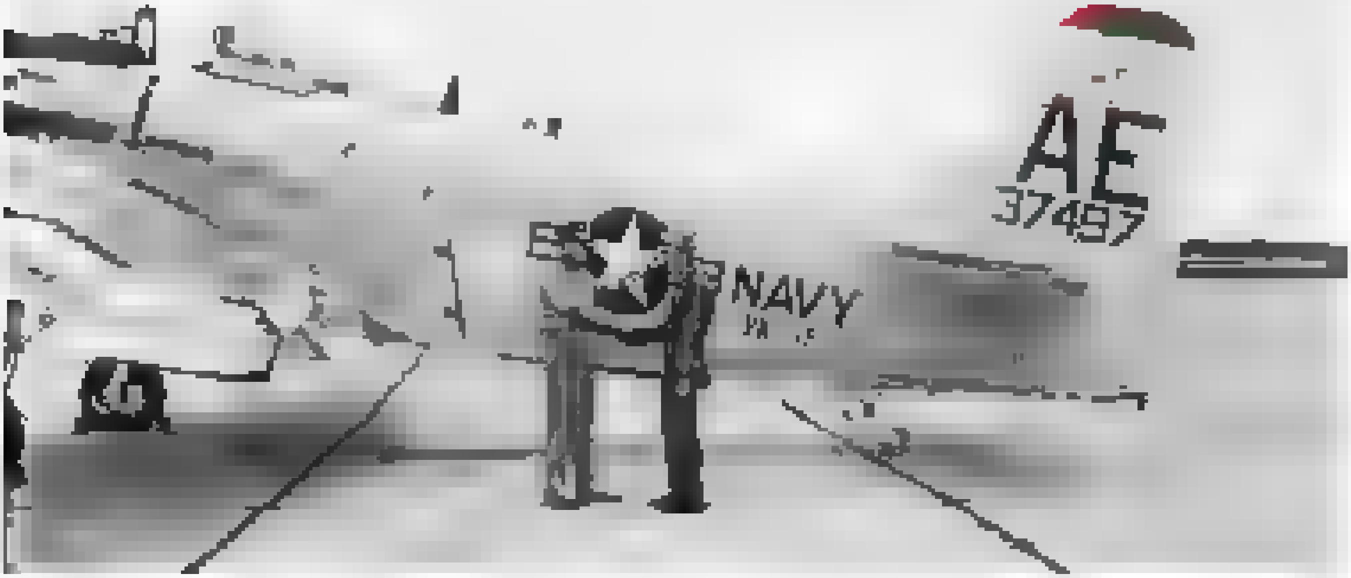
| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Harold W. Smith | Aug 1961 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AD-6 | Aug 1961 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | AE | Aug 1961 |



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# VA-144

## Lineage

[illegible] squadron [illegible] (VA-116) [illegible] August 1955.

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-144) on [illegible] February 1959.

[illegible] The [illegible] squadron [illegible] designation.

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron [illegible] lightning bolt [illegible] black [illegible] lettering [illegible] squadron [illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Sep 1957:** The squadron [illegible]

**20 Mar–18 Aug 1958:** The squadron [illegible] embarked [illegible] *Ranger* [illegible]

**Jul 1959:** The squadron [illegible] *Ranger* [illegible]

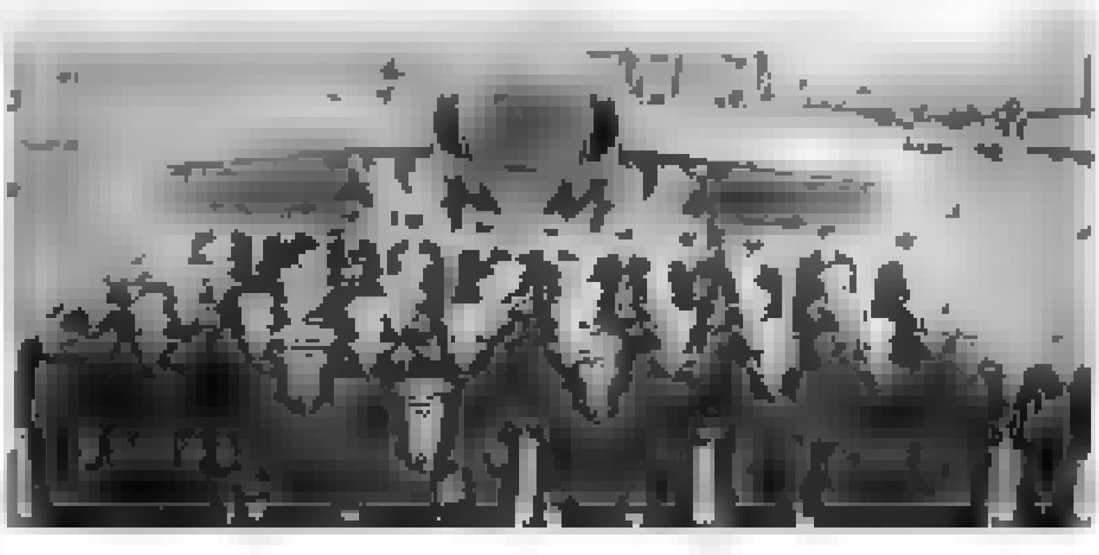
**Jun–Nov 1964:** The squadron participated [illegible] Operations. [illegible]

**4 Aug 1964:** The [illegible] destroyer [illegible] the Gulf of Tonkin.

**5 Aug 1964:** [illegible] Operation Pierce Arrow [illegible] against North Vietnamese [illegible]

**20 Dec 1965:** Commander [illegible] Powell [illegible] leading [illegible] strike against [illegible]

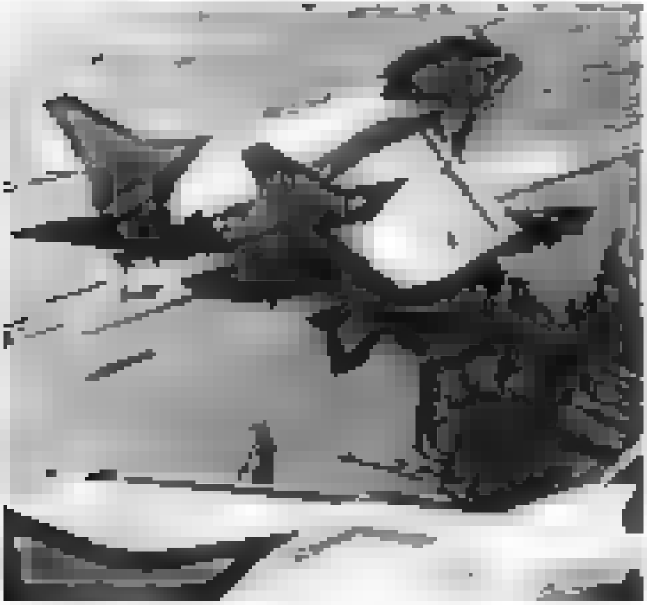
**23 Apr 1966:** [illegible] strike against the [illegible] during the [illegible] North Vietnam.



[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Miramar | [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] |



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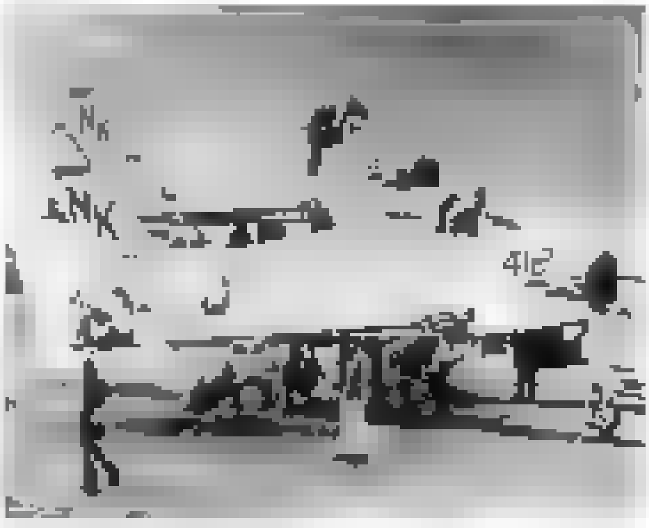
## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] III | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Donald B. [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Robert P. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Powell Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Palmer | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR Donald [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Allen | [illegible] |



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## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-4B | [illegible] |
| A-4E | [illegible] |
| A-4F | [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4B | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4B | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4B | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |  |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] |  |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
|  | [illegible] |  |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|  | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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# VA-145

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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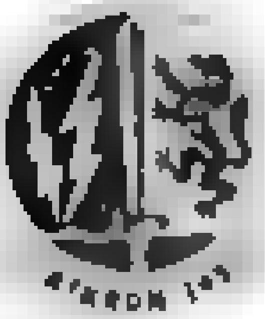


[illegible] ned on black; the light[illegible] ng bolts are yellow [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible] d July. For his daring escape he [illegible]

[illegible] the strikes [illegible] air strikes against targets primarily [illegible].

18 Jan 1973: The squadron flew the first massive [illegible] bombing strikes against targets in North Vietnam. A coordinated strike was conducted [illegible] squadron [illegible] used their Pave Knife laser [illegible]. The strikes [illegible] in destroying [illegible] bridges in North Vietnam.

Jan–Feb 1973: Following the cease-fire with North Vietnam on 27 January, the squadron concentrated its attention on strikes against [illegible] communication [illegible] until an agreement was [illegible] country.

Feb–Mar 1973: The squadron flew [illegible] sorties in support of Operation End Sweep, minesweeping operations in North Vietnamese waters.

Jul 1976: Following the Israeli raid on Entebbe and the threatened military operations against Kenya by Uganda, the Ranger (CV 61) with VA-145 embarked was ordered to transit from the South China Sea to the Indian Ocean and operate off the coast of Kenya.

Aug–Nov 1987: The squadron provided support for Operation Earnest Will, the convoying of reflagged Kuwaiti oil tankers through the Persian Gulf.

Oct 1987: [illegible] provided support for Operation Nimble Archer, retaliatory strikes [illegible] against an Iranian oil platform used as a base for Iranian small boats that were attacking oil tankers.

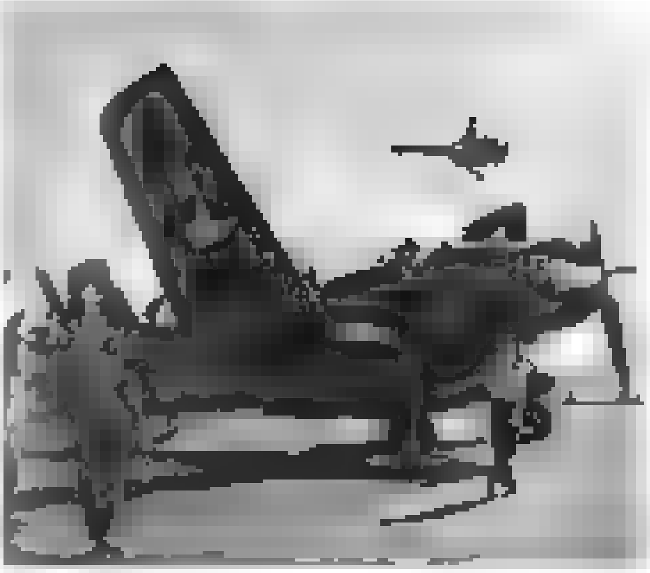
Aug 1989: During a routine mission a squadron aircraft spotted a [illegible] refugee boat, leading to the rescue of [illegible] refugees by [illegible] and Ranger.

15 Jan 1991: Ranger, with VA-145 embarked, [illegible] on station in the Persian Gulf.

16 Jan–28 Feb 1991: The squadron participated in Operation Desert Storm, flying combat missions against targets in Iraq and Kuwait. [illegible] combat sorties, attacking [illegible] and [illegible] targets. Squadron strikes resulted in the destruction of [illegible] tanks, [illegible] bridges, artillery pieces, [illegible] vessels, [illegible] ammunition storage bunkers, [illegible] chemical weapon storage facilities and [illegible] command and control sites. All of these were accomplished by the squadron without the loss of a single person or damage to its aircraft.

17 Sep–4 Dec 1992: Squadron aircraft flew missions in support of Operation Southern Watch. The operation was [illegible] the United Nations [illegible] demanded that Iraqi government stop the repression of its Shiite population in southern Iraq and [illegible] Iraqi planes from flying south of the 32nd parallel.

[illegible] Dec 1992: Squadron aircraft flew missions in support of Operation Restore Hope, a U.N.-authorized effort to relieve mass starvation amid factional fighting in Somalia.



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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Dallas | [illegible] 1949 |
| NAS San Diego | 28 Jul 195[illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Mar 195[illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | Mar 196[illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Sep 196[illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] Sheppard | [illegible] 1949 |
| LCDR [illegible] Simmons | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jul 195[illegible] |
| LCDR W. P. Blackwell | Feb 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Brooks | Jul 195[illegible] |
| LCDR W. [illegible] III | 5 Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Aug 1959 |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR E. R. Berger | 28 [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR B. [illegible] | 2 Sep 196[illegible] |
| CDR R. A. Nixon | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR B. [illegible] | Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 11 Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. Spruance | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR W. [illegible] | 30 Jul 1967 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| A-6A | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | May [illegible] |
| KA-6D | [illegible] |
| A-6E | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| A-6E TRAM | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 02 Mar 1951 | 24 Oct 1951 | CVG-101 | CV 21 | AD-2/4Q | Korea/WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1952 | 17 Mar 1953 | CVG-101 | CVA 33 | AD-4/4L | Korea/WestPac |
| 0[illegible] Jun 1955 | 0[illegible] Feb 1956 | CVG-14 | CVA 21 | AD-6/4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1959 | [illegible] Jul 1959 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] Oct 1960 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 09 Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jan 1965 | [illegible] Aug 1966 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] West Pac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jan 1969 | [illegible] Jul 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A/B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW-2 | CVA 61 | A-6A/C | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 1[illegible] Nov 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 1[illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] | 07 Sep 1976 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Feb 1979 | 23 Sep 1979 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| 10 Sep 1980 | 05 May 1981 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| 07 Apr 1982 | 19 Oct 1982 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Jan 1984 | 0[illegible] Aug 1984 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| 18 Aug 1985 | 20 Dec 1985 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac/WestPac |
| 0[illegible] Mar 1987 | 29 Apr 1987 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1987 | 29 Dec 1987 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E | WestPac/IO |
| 24 Feb 1989 | 24 Aug 1989 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E | WestPac/IO |
| 08 Dec 1990 | 08 Jun 1991 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac/Persian Gulf |
| 01 Aug 1992 | 30 Jan 1993 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | A-6E | WestPac/Persian Gulf |

The squadron [illegible] WestPac [illegible]

## *Air Wing Assignments*

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | NE | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

c The squadron was assigned to [illegible] during its transition from the A-[illegible] to the A-6.

## *Unit Awards Received*

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covered | |
|---|---|---|
| Korea | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 1952 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| | 08 [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1952 | 0[illegible] Jan 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 195[illegible] | 16 Feb 195[illegible] |
| NAVE | [illegible] 19[illegible] | 10 Jun 19[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | 18 Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
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| | 20 Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | 05 Aug 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 06 Aug 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1967 | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 8 Jul 1965 | 24 Aug 1965 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1966 | 10 Feb 1966 |
| VNSM | [illegible] Jan 1966 | 9 Apr 1966 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1966 | 28 Feb 1966 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1966 | [illegible] Feb 1966 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1966 | [illegible] Mar 1966 |
| | [illegible] Apr 1966 | [illegible] Mar 1966 |
| | 30 Dec 1966 | 30 Jun 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | [illegible] Aug 1966 |
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| | [illegible] Dec 1970 | [illegible] Jan 1971 |
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| | [illegible] Jan 1971 | 28 Apr 1971 |
| | 25 Apr 1971 | [illegible] Mar 1971 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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| | 10 Dec 1970 | [illegible] Jan 1971 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1971 | [illegible] Jan 1971 |
| | 11 Feb 1971 | 10 Feb 1971 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1966 | |
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| | [illegible] Feb 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Feb 1966 | 28 Feb 1966 |
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| | [illegible] Apr 1966 | [illegible] Apr 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1967 | [illegible] Jul 1967 |
| | 29 Jul 1967 | [illegible] Aug 1967 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
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| | [illegible] Apr 1969 | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1969 | [illegible] Jun 1969 |

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# VA-152

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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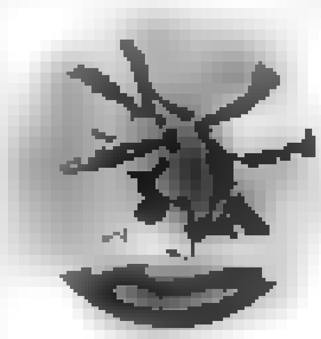

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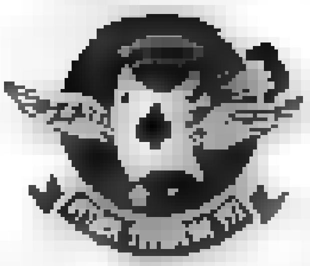

[illegible]

The wings were gold with [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

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**18 Nov 1965:** [illegible] Albert E. Knutson was awarded the Silver Star for his attempt to locate and rescue a downed pilot in enemy territory. [illegible] rescue attempt was [illegible] unsuccessful.

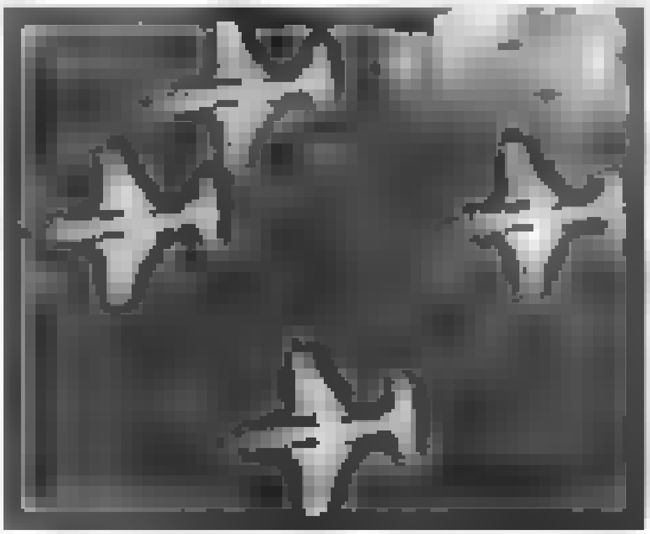
*26 Oct 1966:* While on Yankee Station and preparing to launch the first strike of the day, *Oriskany* [illegible] suffered a disastrous fire on the starboard side of the ship's hangar deck. The squadron lost [illegible] personnel in the fire and the damage to the carrier was so extensive that it returned to the States for repairs.

[illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Denver | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | 05 Jan [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Nov [illegible] |

[illegible]



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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Robert L. [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 1953 |
| LCDR W. [illegible] (Acting) | Jul 1953 |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | 05 Aug 1953 |
| CDR Frank [illegible] Edwards | Sep 1954 |
| LCDR F. A. [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | Apr 1955 |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep 1956 |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul 1958 |
| LCDR [illegible] | Feb 1959 |
| LCDR [illegible] Sullivan (Acting) | 08 Feb 1960 |
| CDR [illegible] | Mar 1960 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1961 |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr 1962 |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr 1963 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1964 |
| CDR Allan E. [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 |
| CDR [illegible] Smith | Feb 1966 |
| CDR [illegible] Wilson | [illegible] 1967 |
| CDR Philip [illegible] | Feb 1968 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1970 |

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[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1953 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1953 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1955 |
| [illegible] | 08 Feb 1957 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1961 |
| [illegible] | Feb 1962 |
| [illegible] | Feb 1964 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1967 |

[illegible]

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | South Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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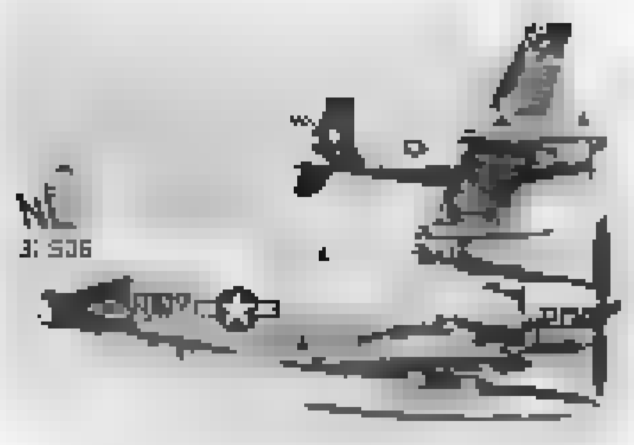

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | NL | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | NL | Feb 1959 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 5 Apr [illegible] |
| | Feb [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 29 Dec [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Dec [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| | Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| | 25 Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| | Dec [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| | Dec [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| AFEM | Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] June [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
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| | Jun [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

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# VA-153

## Lineage

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[illegible] Fighter Squadron [illegible]

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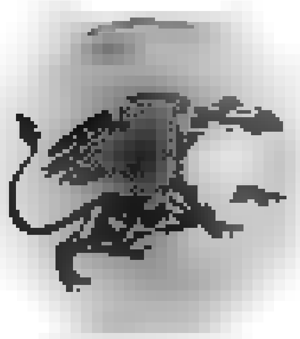
## Squadron Insignia and Nicknames



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## Chronology of Significant Events

**Feb 1955:** [illegible]

**[illegible] Aug–9 Sep 1958:** The squadron flew [illegible]

**[illegible] Feb 1965:** The squadron [illegible]

**[illegible] Feb 1965:** The squadron participated in [illegible] South Vietnam [illegible]

**Mar 1965:** The squadron participated in [illegible] South Vietnam.

**18 Aug 1965:** The squadron [illegible] South Vietnam.

**Mar 1968:** [illegible]

**[illegible] Nov 1970:** The squadron flew [illegible]

**[illegible] 22 Feb 1971:** [illegible]

**[illegible] 1971:** [illegible]

**Nov 197[illegible]:** [illegible]

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### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS New York, Floyd Bennett Field | |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | Aug 19[illegible] |

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### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | |
| LCDR [illegible] Miller | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR Alexander [illegible] | 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 10 Feb 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 30 Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Paul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

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[illegible]

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F9F | |
| F9F-2 | 10 Feb 195[illegible] |
| F9F-[illegible] | Aug 195[illegible] |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F9F-8B | Apr 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Feb 19[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Apr 19[illegible] |
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### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 18 Sep 1951 | 02 May 1952 | CVG-5 | [illegible] | F9F | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-[illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1956 | 5 Oct 1956 | CVG-5 | CVA-[illegible] | F9F-8/8B | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1963 | 25 Nov 1963 | CVG-5 | CVA-[illegible] | A-4C | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Mar 1966 | [illegible] Sep 1966 | CVW-15 | [illegible] | A-4C | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jul 1967 | 06 Apr 1968 | CVW-15 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 07 Sep 1968 | [illegible] Apr 1969 | CVW-15 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 1970 | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 197[illegible] | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-7B | WestPac/IO |
| 10 Sep 1975 | [illegible] Mar 1976 | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-7B | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-7B | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| AIRFAIRLESSDUKE | | [illegible] 1960 |
| CVW-19 | NM | [illegible] Nov 1960 |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
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| NAVE | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Apr 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
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## Unit Awards Received—Continued

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| | [illegible] | 10 Jan 1969 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| [illegible] | Inclusive Dates | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] | 19 Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | |
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| | [illegible] | 20 Feb 1969 |
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| NUC | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | 09 Sep 1971 | [illegible] |
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| | 16 Aug 1972 | [illegible] |
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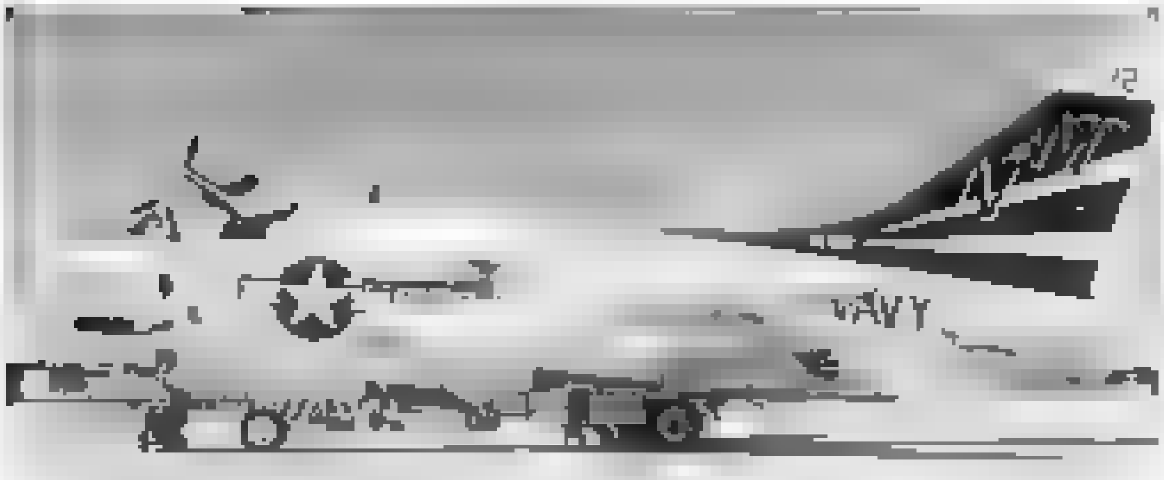

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# VA-154

## Lineage

Established as Bombing Squadron [illegible]

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] December [illegible]

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] July [illegible]

[illegible] disestablished on [illegible] December [illegible]. The first squadron to be designated [illegible]

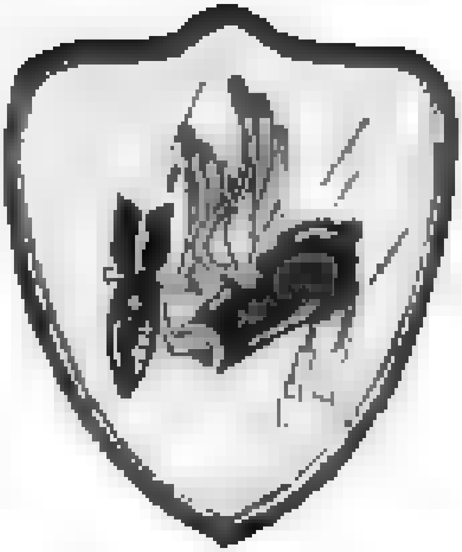
## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The first squadron insignia [illegible] was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] August [illegible]

[illegible]

the [illegible] were [illegible] yellow [illegible] with [illegible] and white highlights [illegible] black outlines [illegible] white [illegible] yellow [illegible] white highlights [illegible] yellow with white highlights [illegible] black [illegible] with black outlines.

[illegible] April [illegible] insignia were [illegible] shield with [illegible] white [illegible] black and [illegible] with green highlights [illegible] yellow [illegible] yellow [illegible] black [illegible] yellow



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highlights and black outlines [illegible] with green highlights and black outlines [illegible] with black outlines.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] 1945: The squadron [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| LCDR Philip W. [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignments

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | SB2C-5 | WestPac |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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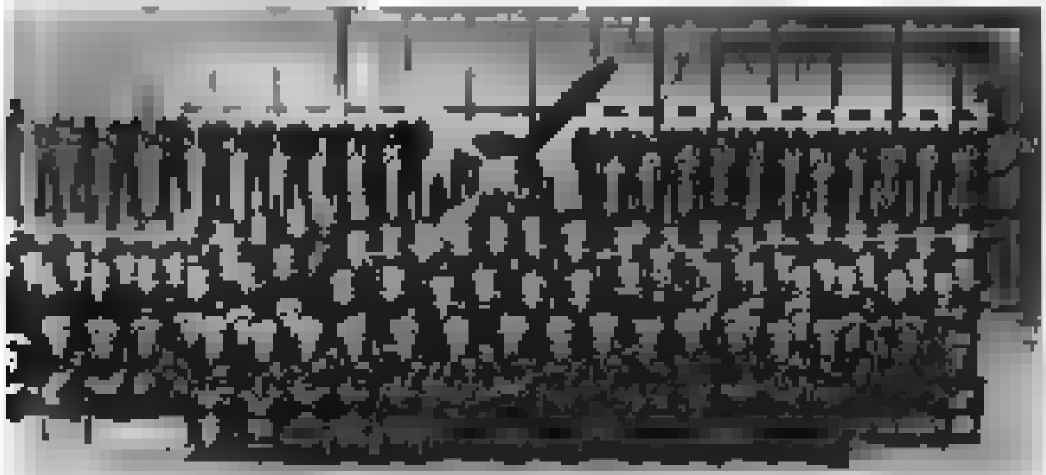

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# VA-155

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron [illegible] (VT-[illegible]) on [illegible].

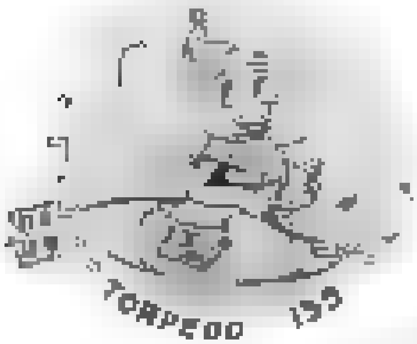
Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] on [illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-155) on [illegible] 1948.

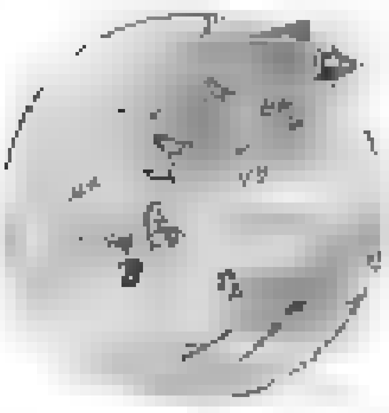
Disestablished on [illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-155 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nicknames

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] February [illegible]. Colors for the [illegible] torpedo were [illegible] green [illegible] yellow [illegible] the green [illegible] red with dark [illegible] and yellow [illegible] green [illegible] orange with [illegible] blue [illegible] and dark purple [illegible] and a red tongue [illegible] orange and light orange [illegible] with [illegible] stripes and red [illegible] with [illegible] and black [illegible] green [illegible] with light [illegible] dark blue and brown [illegible] purple [illegible] torpedo with brown [illegible] a blue nose and red [illegible] green [illegible] skull was black [illegible] the teeth and [illegible] were [illegible] the [illegible] and white [illegible] dark [illegible] and [illegible] and the [illegible] black [illegible] yellow.



The squadron's [illegible] insignia.



The [illegible] insignia [illegible].

Following [illegible] squadron's redesignation [illegible] new insignia [illegible] was approved [illegible] for the [illegible] of the [illegible] was a yellow [illegible] and light green [illegible] background. The [illegible] with yellow [illegible] was [illegible] the [illegible] and the [illegible] of the [illegible] green [illegible] bands of the [illegible] were white. All other details were black [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible].

The [illegible] insignia [illegible].

The squadron's [illegible] insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] February [illegible] for the skull [illegible] design were a red background, white skull and black [illegible].

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] 1947: During the squadron's deployment to the western Pacific, three of its aircraft were equipped as ASW planes, giving the squadron an ASW mission as well as attack.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAAF [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBM-3E | [illegible] |
| TBM-3[illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| TBM-3[illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
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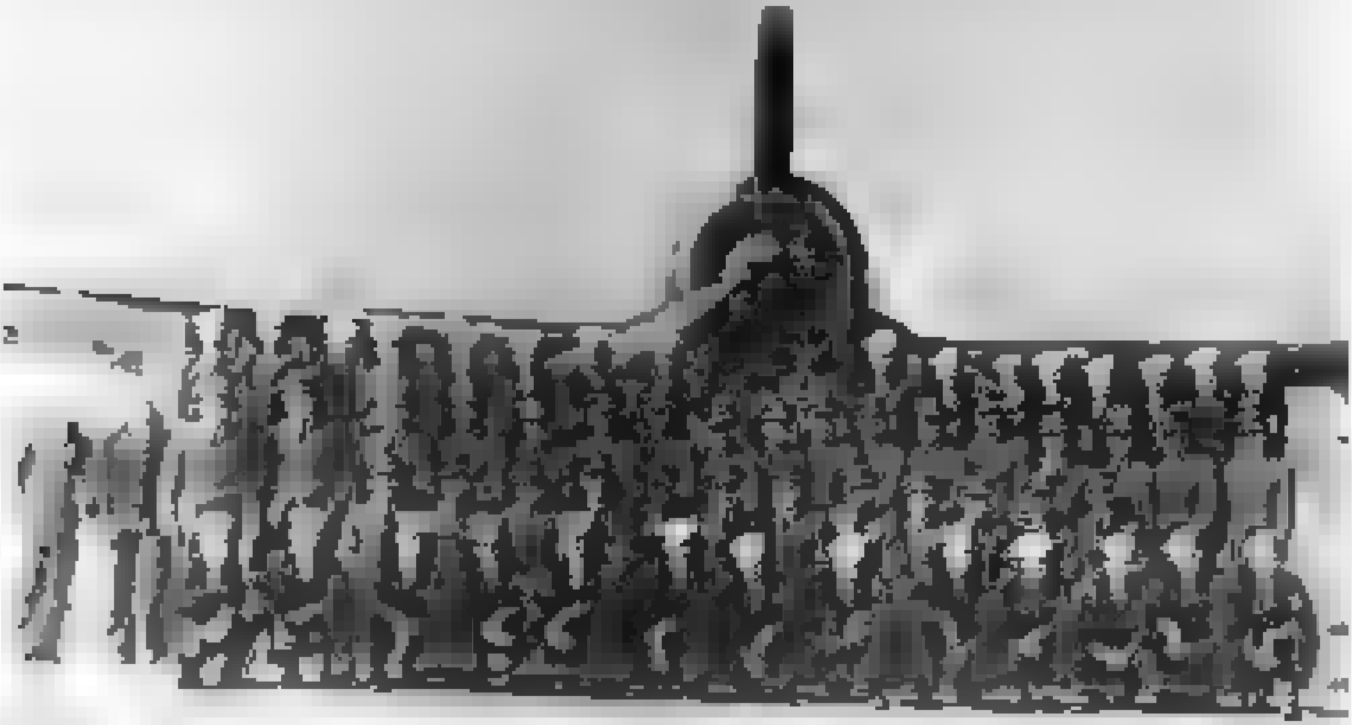

[illegible]

# SECOND VA-155

[illegible] insignia [illegible] displaying [illegible]

## Lineage

Established as Reserve Attack Squadron SEVENTY [illegible] (VA-[illegible]E) [illegible] 1946.

Redesignated Reserve [illegible] Squadron [illegible] ([illegible]) on [illegible] October [illegible].

Redesignated Reserve Composite Squadron [illegible] ([illegible]) on [illegible] November [illegible].

Redesignated Reserve Attack Squadron [illegible] ([illegible]) on [illegible] April 1950.

Called to active duty as Attack Squadron [illegible] ([illegible]) on [illegible] February 1951.

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-155) on [illegible] February [illegible].

Disestablished on 30 September 1977. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-155 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] September 19[illegible]. A photograph of the approved

[illegible]

[illegible]

design was not on file [illegible] black [illegible] description of the insignia were [illegible] disk with [illegible] yellow lightning bolt and [illegible] in front of a black cloud.

A new insignia was submitted by the squadron in [illegible] following its redesignation. There is no record of approval [illegible] date for the insignia. The insignia adopted was the skull and snake design used [illegible] In July [illegible] requested [illegible] modification to the skull and snake insignia that included the addition of two lightning bolts [illegible] the insignia were [illegible] background outlined in green [illegible] with black lettering; the skull was white with black markings; the snake's upper body was [illegible] with black lines [illegible] green [illegible] part of the snake were greenish black and the [illegible] diamond markings were green.

Sometime in [illegible] the squadron used an unofficial insignia with the head of a fox [illegible] design.

Nickname: Silver Foxes, [illegible].

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] 1951: The squadron engaged in combat operations [illegible] in Korea.

Feb 1955: Squadron aircraft flew cover in support of the evacuation of Chinese Nationalists from the Tachen Islands.

23 Aug–11 Sep 1958: The squadron flew [illegible] in the [illegible] after the Chinese Communists [illegible].

Jan 1961: [illegible] operated off the coast [illegible] after [illegible] captured strategic positions in Laos.

7 and 11 Feb 1965: The squadron participated in Flaming Dart I and II, retaliatory strikes against targets in North Vietnam following [illegible] American [illegible] in South Vietnam.

Mar 1965: The squadron began [illegible] Rolling Thunder operations, the bombing of [illegible] targets in North Vietnam.

Mar 1965: [illegible] deploying to Vietnam using a new camouflage paint [illegible] the [illegible]. The new paint [illegible] were expected to reduce [illegible] damage and make the aircraft more difficult to detect [illegible].

[illegible] Jul 1965: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander [illegible], was killed [illegible] leading [illegible] attack [illegible].

[illegible] Oct 1965: Squadron aircraft [illegible] engaged the [illegible] were sunk [illegible] damaged and the [illegible] of the [illegible].

25 Nov 1965: Commander [illegible] the squadron's commanding officer [illegible] was lost [illegible] follow

ing a flight deck accident [illegible] first [illegible] the [illegible].

Mar 19[illegible]: [illegible] embarked [illegible] off the coast of Korea following the [illegible] South Korea.

Apr 1952: Following the [illegible] the North Koreans [illegible] Apr. [illegible] With [illegible] proceeded to the Sea of Japan for operations off the coast of Korea.

[illegible] 1970: The squadron flew [illegible] of an attempt [illegible] American prisoners [illegible] prison compound [illegible].

Feb 1973: [illegible] the squadron flew [illegible] until [illegible].

Nov 1979: [illegible] with [illegible] deployed [illegible] operations in the [illegible] the Arabian Sea due to the unsettled conditions following the [illegible] in the Middle East.

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] Rosa | [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | Aug [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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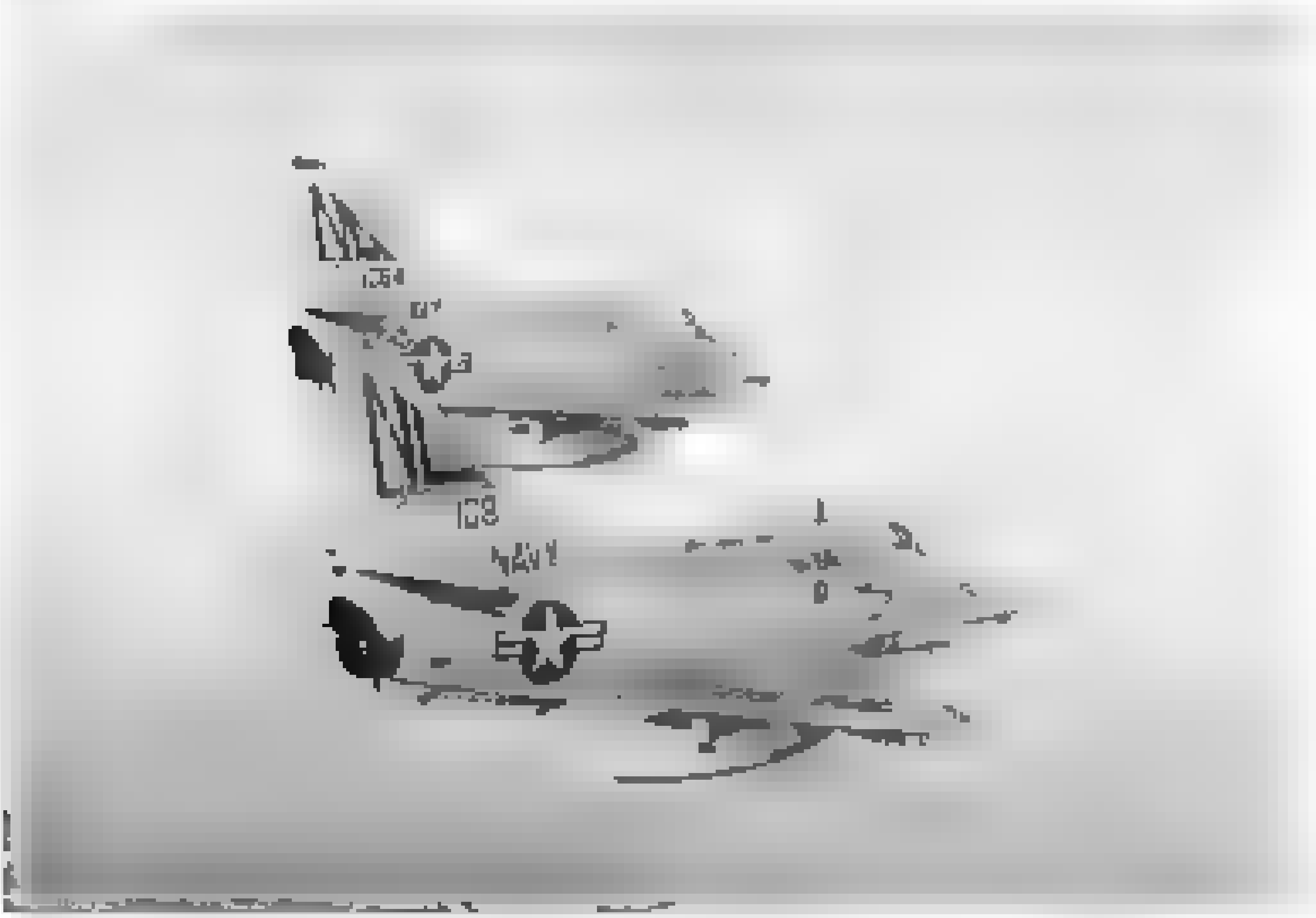

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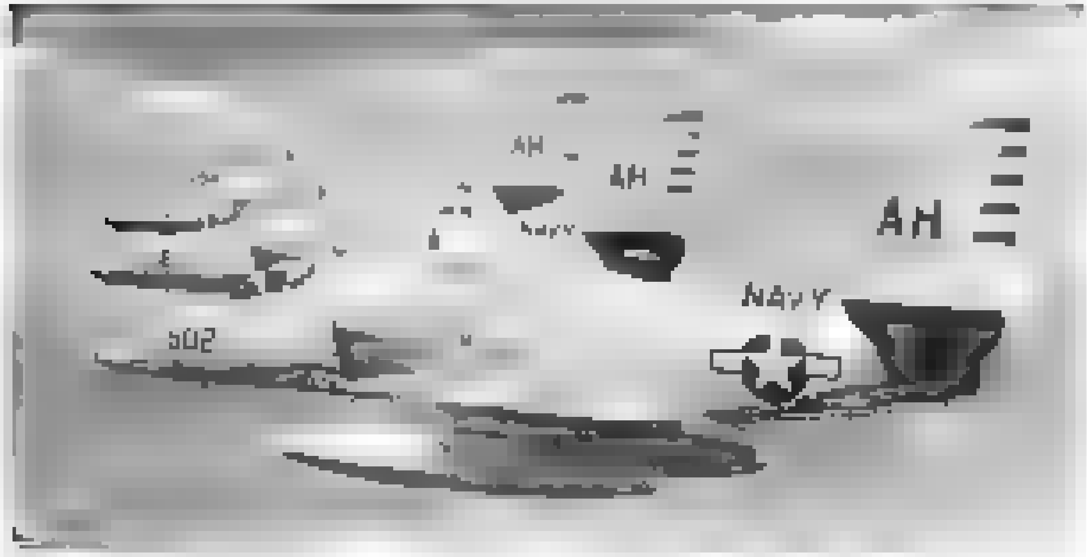
### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1[illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | 1[illegible] Mar 195[illegible] | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1956 | [illegible] 1956 | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | 1[illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Aug 1959 | [illegible] Jan 1960 | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1960 | [illegible] Mar 1961 | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible]5 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| 1[illegible] [illegible] 196[illegible] | 1[illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | CVW-15 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | 1[illegible] [illegible] 1966 | CVW-15 | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 26 Jul 1967 | 06 Apr 1968 | CVW-15 | CVA 43 | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 2[illegible] [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] Mar 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4F | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] | [illegible] 1970 | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-7B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] May 19[illegible] | 1[illegible] [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-7B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 1[illegible] Jun 1972 | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] | CVW-19 | [illegible] | A-7B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 1[illegible] [illegible] 19[illegible] | 05 Jun 1974 | CVW-19 | CVA 34 | A-7B | WestPac/IO |
| 1[illegible] Sep 1975 | 1[illegible] Mar 1976 | CVW-19 | | A-7B | WestPac |
| 04 Oct 1976 | 2[illegible] Apr 1977 | CVW-19 | CV 42 | A-7B | Med |



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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | NL | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | AH | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | NE | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible] was redesignated CVW-15 when Carrier Air Group (CVG) [illegible] redesignated Carrier Air Wings (CVW) on 20 December 1963.

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NavE | [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] June 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| | 25 Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
| | 25 Jun 1965 | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 1968 | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 03 Jun 1970 | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| | 28 Jun 1972 | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 12 Oct 1965 | |
| | 23 Jun 1966 | 22 Jun 1966 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | |
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| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | 4 Jun 1966 | [illegible] Jul 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | [illegible] Aug 1966 |
| | 08 Sep 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | 19 Oct 1966 | [illegible] Nov 1966 |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | 10 Mar 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1970 | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| | 2 Jul 1970 | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 11 June [illegible] | 20 Aug [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| | Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | 10 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | 28 Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |

[illegible]

# THIRD VA-155

### Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE (VA-155) on 1 September 1987.

Disestablished on 30 April 1993. The third squadron to be assigned the VA-155 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 3 July 1987. Colors for the Silver Fox insignia are as follows: the circular design is outlined in [illegible] with the upper background black and lower background blue with light blue splashes; yellow star, lightning bolt, moon and full upper face of fox with black markings and features. White area under scroll outlined in [illegible] with black lettering.

[illegible] Silver Fox insignia

Nickname: Silver Foxes, 1987–1993.

### Chronology of Significant Events

**15 August–8 October 1988:** *Independence*, with VA-155 embarked, conducted a change of home port transit [illegible] around Cape Horn. During the transit numerous air power demonstrations were conducted for [illegible] South American nations.

**17 Jan 1991:** The squadron conducted its first operations in [illegible] Desert Storm, [illegible] commanding [illegible] Commander Swigart and Air Wing [illegible] first strike against Iraq.

**18 Jan 1991:** The squadron suffered its first combat loss during the Gulf War [illegible] A-6E Intruder [illegible] during a mining [illegible] in [illegible] Iraq.

**24 Feb 1991:** *Ranger* [illegible] final strike of the Gulf War [illegible] A-6E aircraft. During the Gulf War the squadron flew [illegible] 400 [illegible] and delivered [illegible] pounds of ordnance on Iraqi military targets.

**Sep–Oct 1992:** Squadron aircraft flew sorties in support of Operation Southern Watch [illegible] Iraq [illegible] to ensure Iraq was adhering to [illegible].

**Dec 1992:** The squadron participated in Operation Restore Hope, flying sorties in support of the humanitarian relief effort in Somalia.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Whidbey Island | 1 Sep 1987 |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Jack [illegible] | 1 Sep 1987 |
| CDR Kenneth R. [illegible] | Jan 1989 |
| CDR Frank Swigart | [illegible] Jun 1990 |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep 1991 |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| KA-6D | 16 Nov 1987 |
| A-6E | Sep 1987 |

### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Dec 1990 | 08 Jun 1991 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac/Persian Gulf |
| [illegible] Aug 1992 | [illegible] Jan 1993 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac/Persian Gulf |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVW-[illegible] | N[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1987 |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 198[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | NE | [illegible] 1989 |

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covered | |
|---|---|---|
| MUC | 04 Sep 1987 | [illegible] Sep 198[illegible] |
| MUC | [illegible] Jan 1991 | [illegible] Feb 199[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 199[illegible] |
| Kuwait | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 199[illegible] |
| NAVE | [illegible] 1992 | [illegible] 199[illegible] |

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# VA-163

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 07 Jun 1962 | 17 Dec 1962 | CVG-16 | CVA 34 | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| 03 Aug 1963 | 10 Mar 1964 | CVW-16 | CVA 34 | A-4B | WestPac |
| 0[illegible] [illegible] 196[illegible] | 16 Dec 196[illegible] | CVW-16 | CVA 34 | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] May 196[illegible] | 16 Nov 1966 | CVW-16 | CVA 34 | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 16 Jun 1967 | 31 Jan 1968 | CVW-16 | CVA 34 | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 18 Jul 1968 | 03 Mar 1969 | CVW-21 | CVA 19 | A-4E | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-16/CVW-16* | AH | 01 Sep 1960 |
| CVW-21 | NP | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |

*CVG-16 was [illegible] CVW-16 [illegible] Carrier Air Wing (CVW) [illegible] 196[illegible].

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| AFEM | 05 [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| | 03 Nov 1963 | 08 Nov 1963 |
| | 07 May 1965 | 02 Jun 1965 |
| | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 8 Sep 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| NUC | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1969 |
| RVNGC | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | 30 [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | 2[illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
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| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | 28 Dec 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | |
| | 01 Jan 1969 | 0[illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | 07 Jan 1969 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 08 Feb 1969 |
| VNSM | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | 28 Oct 1965 | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| | 29 Jun 1966 | [illegible] Jul 1966 |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | 08 Aug 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] June 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
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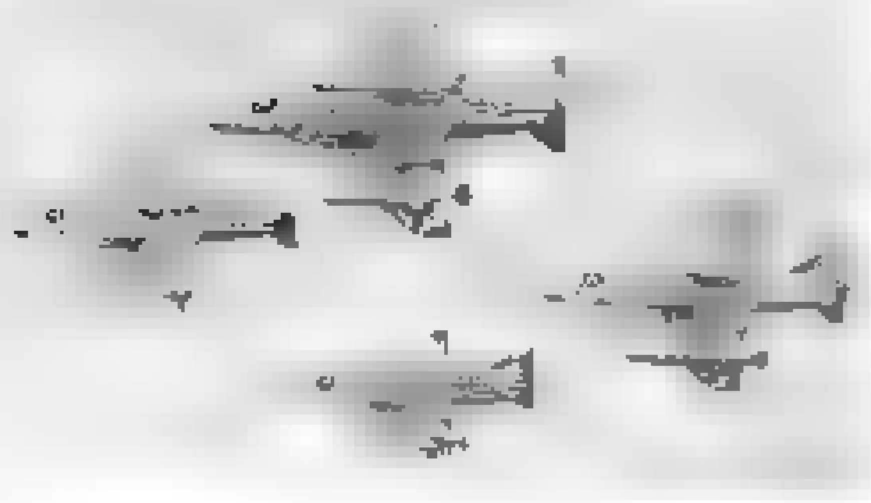

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# VA-164

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-164) on [illegible] September 1960.

Disestablished on [illegible] December 1975. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-164 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved by [illegible] this [illegible] on the [illegible]. Colors for the squadron insignia were a black background outlined in black and white; the ghost rider was grey with dark markings; the insignia [illegible] diamond [illegible] with [illegible] with dark markings; [illegible] letter[illegible] trip [illegible] the border [illegible] was white with black lettering; the [illegible] were [illegible] orange, blue and grey; and [illegible] the insignia [illegible] grey [illegible].

[illegible] nickname [illegible]

[illegible] insignia [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

Nov 196[illegible]: [illegible] with [illegible] embarked, operated in the South China Sea [illegible] off South Vietnam [illegible] and the [illegible] that overthrew President Diem.

[illegible] Mar 1965: The squadron flew its first [illegible] the [illegible] through July 1965 it flew [illegible] South Vietnam.

[illegible] Nov 1965: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander [illegible], was awarded the Silver Star for [illegible] leading a strike against a [illegible] site in North Vietnam.

26 Oct 1966: A major fire broke out on Oriskany at Yankee Station. The squadron lost four pilots in the fire. Several squadron personnel received awards for their heroic actions during the fire.

[illegible] 1967: Commander [illegible], the squadron's commanding officer, was awarded the Silver Star for [illegible] during a strike mission [illegible] North Vietnam.

Mar 1970: The squadron completed the [illegible] deployment to Vietnam. This was the squadron's [illegible] combat deployment without losing a pilot.

Apr 1972: The squadron participated in Operation Freedom Train [illegible] against military and logistic targets in the southern part of North Vietnam. It also provided close air support for forces in South Vietnam [illegible] North Vietnam.

May 1972: Squadron aircraft participated in the early May [illegible] against targets in North Vietnam.

Aug 1972: [illegible] were used for the first time [illegible] combat [illegible].

[illegible] 1973: Missions were flown in support of Operation End Sweep, the clearing of mines in the territorial waters of North Vietnam.

Oct 1973: With the outbreak of war between Israel [illegible] with [illegible] embarked [illegible] status [illegible] in the Arabian Sea near the Gulf of Aden.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Moffett Field | Sep 1960 |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] Williams | [illegible] Sep 1960 |
| LCDR [illegible] Phillips | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| CDR C. A. Burke Jr. | Oct 196[illegible] |
| CDR H. [illegible] Sutherland | Sep 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. Roberts | 29 Aug 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Shaw | Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 30 Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Mar 196[illegible] |
| CDR William F. Spain | Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 30 Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Lawson | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR Fred [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR Frederick [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-4[illegible] Skyhawk | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| A-4[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| A-4[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| [illegible]A-4F | 08 Aug 197[illegible] |

The [illegible] designation [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Tail Code | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NUC | 10 May 1965 | 06 Dec 1965 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1966 | [illegible] Nov 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1967 | [illegible] Jan 1968 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1968 | 22 Feb 1969 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 03 Nov 1963 | 09 Nov 1963 |
| | 07 May 1964 | 02 Jun 1965 |
| | 10 Jun 1965 | 03 Jul 1965 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1965 | 18 Sep 1965 |
| | 07 Dec 1968 | [illegible] Dec 1968 |
| | [illegible] | |
| | 03 Jan 1970 | 08 Jan 1970 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1970 | 25 Feb 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| RVNGC | [illegible] | |
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| | [illegible] | |
| | 07 Nov 1968 | 08 Nov 1968 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | 19 Nov [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| VNSM | 04 Jul 1965 | [illegible] |
| | 09 Aug 1965 | [illegible] |
| | 30 Sep 1965 | [illegible] |
| | 28 Oct 1965 | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] Aug 1967 | [illegible] |
| | 04 Oct 1967 | [illegible] |
| | 19 Nov 1967 | [illegible] |
| | 30 Dec 1967 | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1972 | 14 Jul 1972 |
| | 24 Jul 1972 | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
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# VA-165

## Lineage

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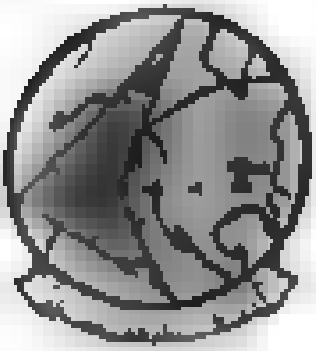

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

4 Apr 1966: VA-165 deployed to Vietnam [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] first to deploy with a Harpoon missile capability [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Nov [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR H. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR H. E. [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] II | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Fred [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Thomas W. [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Samuel A. [illegible] III | Aug [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Robert [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| CDR Paul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR Robert T. [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | Date Type First Received |
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| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |

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### Major Overseas Deployments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A/B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun 1974 | 23 Dec 1974 | CVW-9 | CVA-64 | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep 1988 | [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun 1989 | [illegible] Jul 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | [illegible] |
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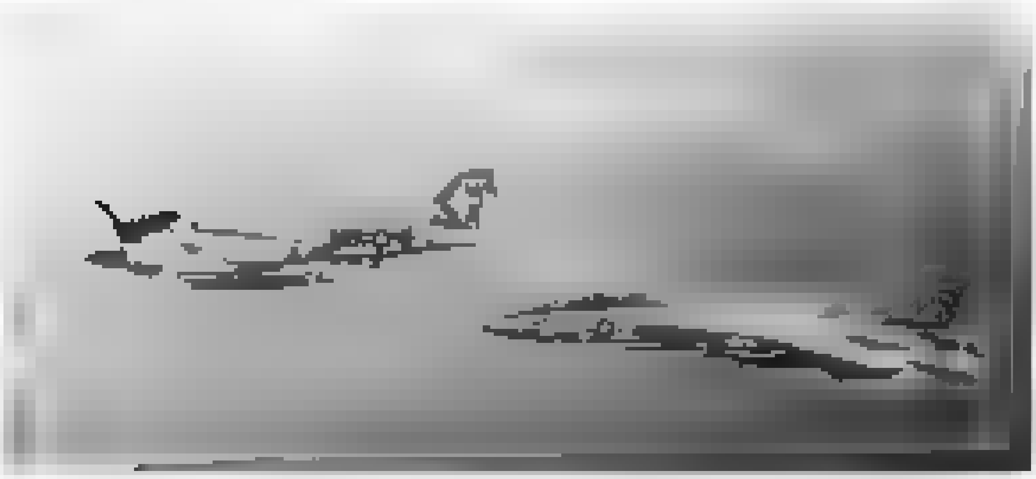

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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### Unit Awards Received

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### Unit Awards Received

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# VA-172

## Lineage

Established as Bomber Fighting Squadron EIGHTY TWO (VBF-82) on 1 August 1944.

Redesignated Fighting Squadron EIGHTEEN A (VF-18A) on 15 November 1946.

Redesignated Fighter Squadron ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO (VF-172) on [illegible] August 1948.

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO (VA-172) on [illegible] November 1955.

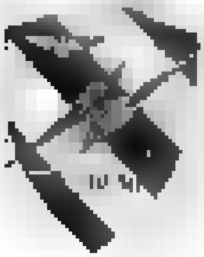
Disestablished on [illegible] 1971. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-172 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The insignia of VF-172 [illegible] under Fighter Squadron designation.

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] 1949. Colors for the insignia were: gold background outlined in green with blue lettering; the angel and sparks were [illegible] with white highlights and the flame and lamp were green with white highlights.

The first insignia was used by the squadron until [illegible] October 1950 when CNO approved a new insignia design for the new designation. The blue border features a red and white [illegible] gold [illegible] wings with blue [illegible] stripes, blue lightning bolt and the lettering Blue Bolts was black.



The squadron's second insignia [illegible] designation [illegible].

Nickname: [illegible] the 1950s.

Blue Bolts, [illegible]-1971.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**28 Jan 1949:** Squadron aircraft and pilots were flown to the flight deck and engineering personnel were used to assist in [illegible] *Midway* (CVB 41) [illegible] Augusta, Sicily. The procedure is known as Operation [illegible].

**24 Aug 1951:** The squadron participated in its first combat strike. This also marked the first use of the F2H-2 in combat.

**25 Aug 1951:** The squadron's F2H-2s [illegible] escort F9F [illegible] provided cover for 30 Air Force B-29 bombers during the [illegible] raid on Rashin [illegible].

**Jan–Dec 1956:** *Franklin D. Roosevelt* (CVA 42), with VA-172 embarked, was ordered to operate off the coast of Spain as a result of the Suez Canal crisis.

**Sep–Oct 1957:** A detachment of squadron F2H [illegible] operated [illegible] provided fighter support for the ASW [illegible] during a NATO exercise in the North Atlantic.

**Nov 1961:** [illegible] embarked in *Roosevelt*, operated off the coast of the Dominican Republic to support the newly established democratic government.

**Mar 1962:** *Roosevelt*, with VA-172 embarked, [illegible] in the Caribbean and operated off the coast of [illegible] in response to a rebel attempt to overthrow the [illegible] government.

**Jul–Sep 1963:** A detachment from the squadron was embarked aboard *Randolph* (CVS 15) to provide fighter coverage for the ASW task group during exercises in the Atlantic.

**8–29 Aug 1964:** *Roosevelt*, with [illegible] embarked, was ordered to operate in the vicinity of Cyprus after fighting erupted between Greek and Turkish forces on the island.

**Aug 1966:** The squadron commenced combat operations in Vietnam. These were its first combat operations since the Korean War in 1952.

**2 Dec 1966:** The squadron's commanding officer, Commander Bruce A. Nystrom, was lost on a night armed reconnaissance mission over the Red River delta in North Vietnam.

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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT Benjamin [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Harold [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Patrick [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] A. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| LCDR James H. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| LT H. P. McCloskey (actg) | 04 Aug 1954 |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 15 Jul 195[illegible] |
| CDR Arthur [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR William [illegible] Stewart | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR E[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas A. [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| F2H-1 | [illegible] May 19[illegible] |
| F2H-[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| F2H-[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 195[illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

The A[illegible] was redesignated A-[illegible] [illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 194[illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F[illegible] | Easter Island [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun 1948 | [illegible] Aug 1948 | CVG-17 | CVB 43 | F4U-4 | Med [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] May 19[illegible] | CVG-[illegible] | CVB [illegible] | F[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-[illegible] | [illegible] Korea |
| [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-[illegible] | [illegible] Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1953 | [illegible] May 1954 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 18 | F2H-[illegible] | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Apr 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F2H-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 195[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1965 | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1966 | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-[illegible] | [illegible] West [illegible] |
| 24 Aug 1967 | 19 May 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA 42 | A-4C | Med |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Pac [illegible] |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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### Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received

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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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# VA-174

## Lineage

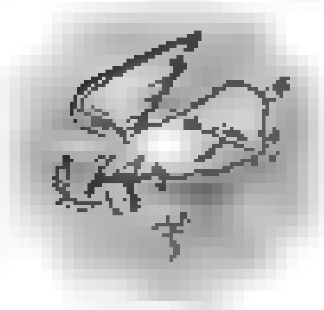
Established as Bombing Squadron EIGHTY TWO (VB-82) on 1 April 1944.

Redesignated Attack Squadron SEVENTEEN A (VA-17A) on 15 November 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-174) on 2 August 1948.

Disestablished on 25 January 1950. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-174 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname



The squadron's insignia [illegible]

The squadron [illegible] approved [illegible] [illegible] the insignia [illegible] on a dark blue background with a yellow border. The duck had alternating shades of yellow and light blue, and the gun and bombs were shaded light gray to dark gray.

Nickname: Battering Rams, [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

5 Dec 1944: The squadron, embarked on *Bennington* (CV 20) along with the other units of [illegible], departed for Pearl Harbor [illegible] there [illegible] [illegible]

16 Feb 1945: VB-82 participated in the first carrier strikes [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Feb 1945: Squadron aircraft provided ground support for the landings on Iwo Jima.

18 Mar 1945: Japanese [illegible] on the Inland [illegible] were attacked [illegible] and [illegible] assigned [illegible] Task Group 58.[illegible]

7 Apr 1945: Squadron aircraft participated in Task Force 58 attacks on the Japanese super battleship *Yamato* and her escorts in the East China Sea. The [illegible] credited in the sinking of the *Yamato*, one [illegible] and four destroyers.

Apr–May 1945: The squadron [illegible] [illegible] strikes [illegible] Okinawa and provided air support during the invasion of the island.

Jun [illegible] 1945: The squadron was [illegible] [illegible] *Bennington* [illegible] returned to the States.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Wildwood | 1 Apr 44 |
| NAAS Oceana | 15 Jun 44 |
| NAS Norfolk, East Field | [illegible] Sep 44 |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] 44 |
| NAS Kahului | [illegible] Jan 45 |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jul 45 |
| NAS Quonset Point | [illegible] 46 |
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] 46 |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 44 |
| LCDR Hugh Wood, Jr. (acting) | [illegible] 44 |
| LCDR Hugh Wood, Jr. | [illegible] 44 |
| LT [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Jul 45 |
| LT [illegible] (acting) | [illegible] Sep 45 |
| LCDR Hugh Wood, Jr. | [illegible] 45 |
| LCDR Robert E. Parker | [illegible] Apr 1946 |
| LCDR William H. [illegible] | [illegible] 1948 |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] 1949 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| SB2C-1C | [illegible] Apr 44 |
| SB2C-3 | [illegible] 44 |
| SB2C-3E | [illegible] 44 |
| SBW-4E | [illegible] 1945 |
| SB2C-5 | [illegible] Jul 1946 |
| SBW-5 | [illegible] Jul 1946 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1948 |
| [illegible] | Apr 1949 |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 44 | [illegible] 1945 | [illegible] | CV 20 | SB2C-4E | Pacific |
| [illegible] 1946 | [illegible] 1946 | [illegible] | [illegible] | SB2C-5 | Med |

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### Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

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### Unit Awards Received

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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| Campaign Medal [illegible] | Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | Jan [illegible] |

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## Lineage

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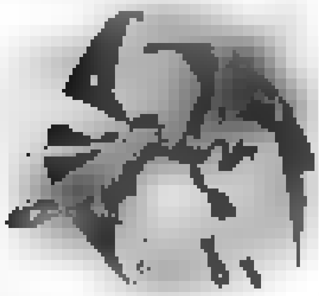

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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[illegible] the fighter strength afloat [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible] by the People's Republic of China.

28 Apr 1958: The squadron [illegible]

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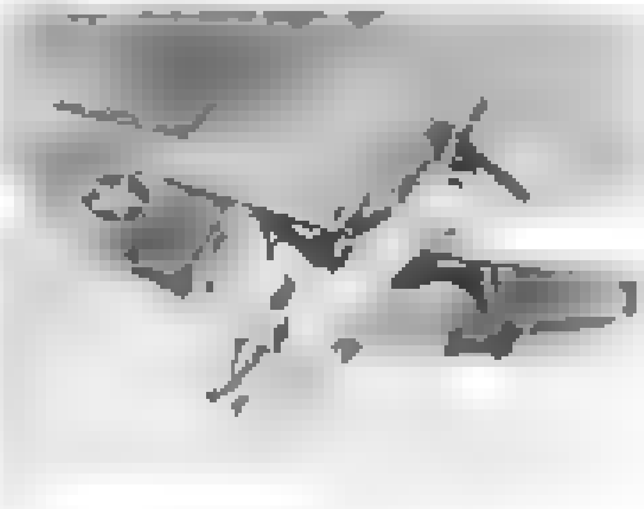

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### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] |
| NAAF [illegible] Field | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| NAS Sangley Point | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS Sand Point | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

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### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible]<br>Feb [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR William E. [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Ralph E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Paul H. [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR John [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR George [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| LCDR John F. [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR R. T. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Edward [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James A. Winter | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Donald [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR William E. [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Edward [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Roger [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Rolland R. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Donald P. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] III | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

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### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
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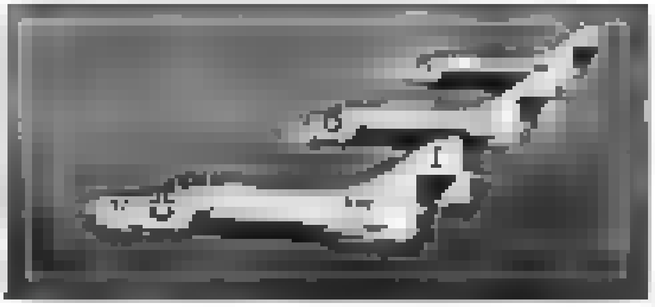

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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## Air Wing Assignments

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### *Unit Awards Received*

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| | Jul 1950 | [illegible] |

### *Unit Awards Received—Continued*

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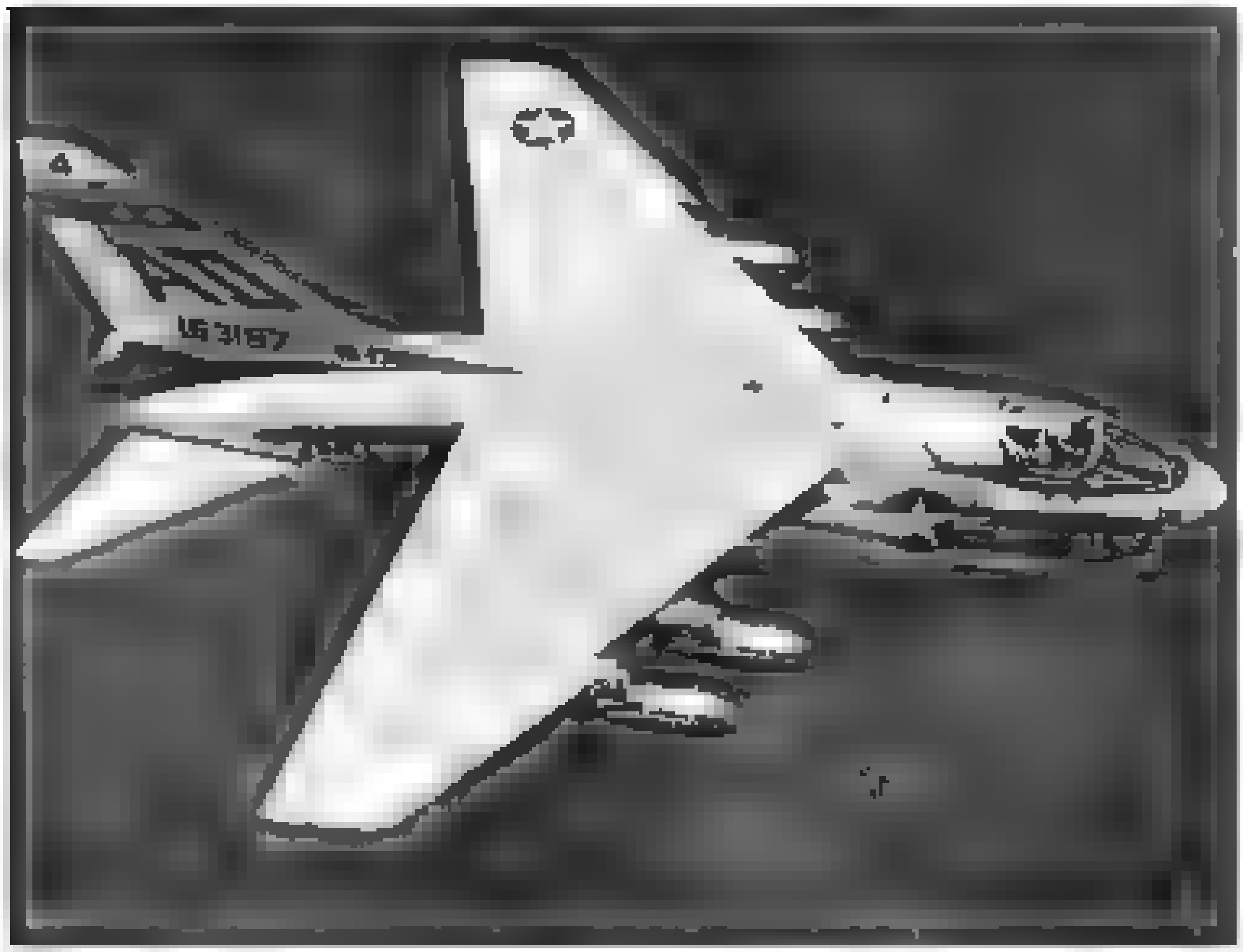

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# VA-175

## Lineage

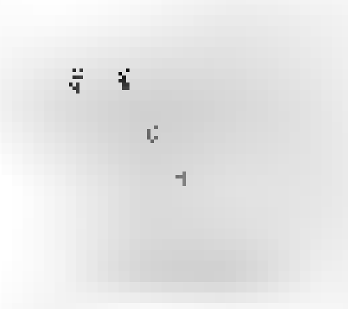
Established as Torpedo Squadron EI[illegible] T[illegible] (V[illegible]-82) on [illegible] April 194[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron EI[illegible]TEEN A (VA-[illegible]A) on [illegible] November 194[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE [illegible] SE[illegible] (VA-175) on [illegible] August 194[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] 195[illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-175 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname



The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] designation [illegible] personnel [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] black [illegible] and black [illegible] [illegible].

The squadron's [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

A new insignia was approved [illegible] October 194[illegible] [illegible] on the winged figure [illegible] black background with [illegible] yellow border [illegible] winged figure with black markings, white skull with black markings and the wings were black with [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] green [illegible] with black markings [illegible] yellow [illegible] red flame [illegible] from the tail.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Nickname: [illegible] Diplomats, time frame unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

5 Dec 194[illegible]–Jan 1945: The squadron embarked on [illegible]ennington (CV 2[illegible]) for transit from Norfolk to [illegible] [illegible] Pearl Harbor.

[illegible] Jan 1945: The squadron's commanding officer, Lieutenant Commander W. F. [illegible], was killed in an automobile accident.

[illegible] Feb 1945: The squadron participated in the first carrier strikes against the [illegible] [illegible] and against airfields [illegible]. The squadron's commanding officer, Lieutenant Commander E[illegible], [illegible] during the [illegible] against the Japanese airfield.

20–2[illegible] Feb 1945: The squadron provided close air support for [illegible] Iwo Jima.

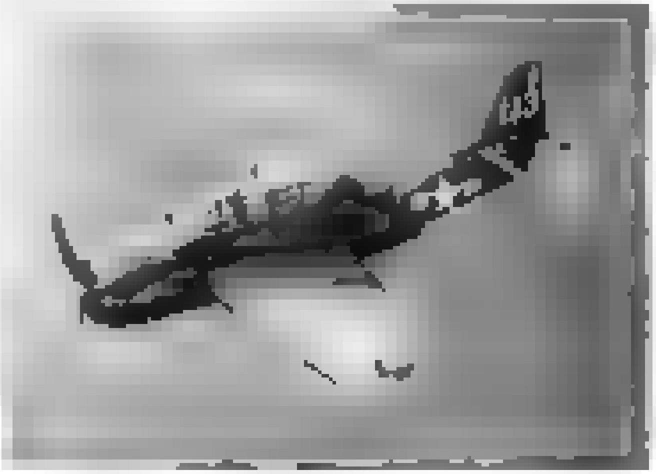
19 Mar 1945: Squadron aircraft participated in strikes against the Japanese Fleet which included the battleship Yamato located near Kure and Hiroshima in the Inland Sea.

[illegible] Apr 1945: Squadron aircraft were involved in strikes against the Japanese task force that sortied from the Inland Sea and was steaming toward Okinawa. The force included the battleship Yamato and [illegible] escorts. The squadron [illegible] [illegible] destroyer, [illegible] light cruiser [illegible] the [illegible] attacks from the task force. It resulted in the sinking of the Yamato, [illegible] and three other destroyers. Seven squadron pilots were awarded the Navy Cross for their actions during the engagement: Lieutenant Commander Edwin [illegible] E[illegible], Lieutenant [illegible] W. [illegible], [illegible] W[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] W[illegible] [illegible] B. [illegible] and [illegible] R. Walter.

Mar–May 1945: The squadron [illegible] strikes on [illegible] and provided support following the invasion of the island.

[illegible] Jun 1945: [illegible] completed its tour of combat duty and embarked in [illegible] [illegible] for return to the States, arriving [illegible].

Nov–Dec 1946: Franklin D. Roosevelt [illegible] with [illegible] embarked was selected to [illegible] [illegible] operate off the coast of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].



[illegible] 1946 [illegible] SB2C [illegible] [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

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| NAS [illegible] Point | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAAF [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] Point | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| NAF [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] Point | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR Edmund [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LT [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR Joseph [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR John [illegible] Kennedy | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

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| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] (Acting) | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
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## Aircraft Assignment

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| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

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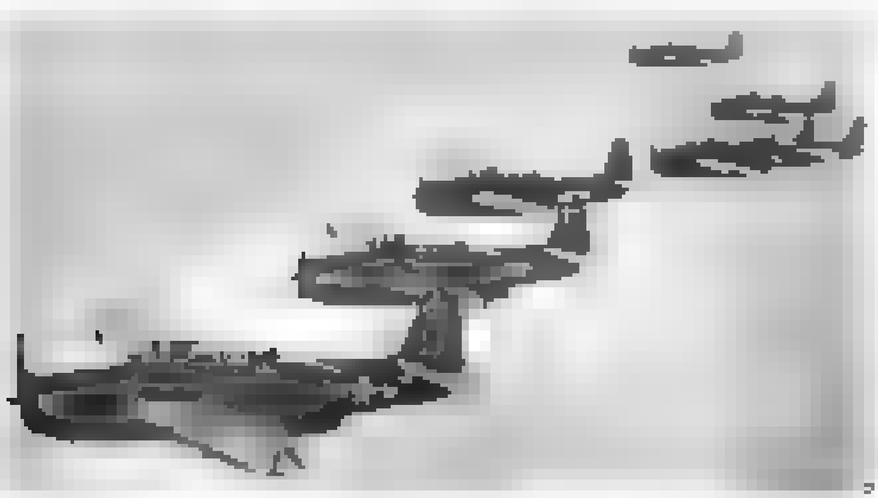

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 1 Jul 1948 | | 30 Jun 1949 |
| Campaign Medal | | | |
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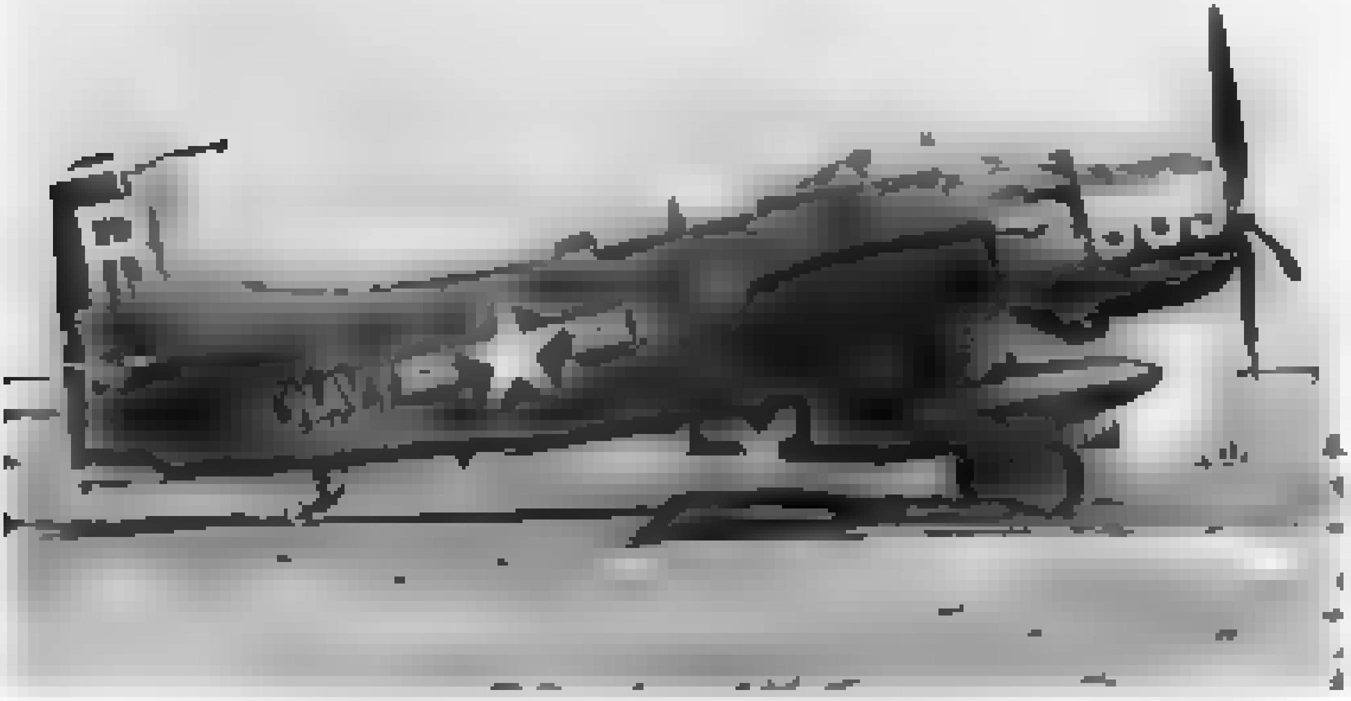

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# VA-176

## Lineage

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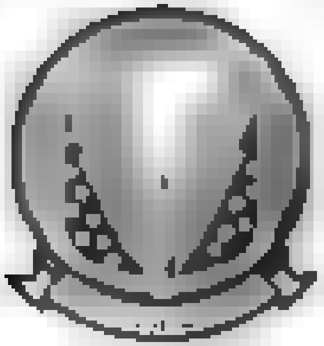

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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[illegible] against [illegible] missile sites in Lebanon.

25 [illegible] 1983: In response to continued [illegible] in the area, the need [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible].

4 Dec 1983: In response to [illegible] fire against [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] positions in Lebanon, [illegible] [illegible] participated in [illegible] strike against [illegible] communications and artillery positions [illegible] attacking the Multi-National Peace Keeping Force. [illegible] the squadron's aircraft completed their mission and returned safely to the carrier.

Jan–Jul 1988: The squadron flew [illegible] Earnest Will [illegible] of operations [illegible] reflagged Kuwaiti oil tankers during the [illegible] War in the Persian Gulf.

Jun–Sep 1991: The squadron flew missions in support of Operation Provide Comfort, supporting the [illegible] Expeditionary [illegible] the Kurdish refugees in Iraq following the Gulf War.

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## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Jacksonville | Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Oceana | Jan [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Standley | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] Stepp | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| CDR R. B. Fuller, Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] P. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR R. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR George [illegible] Edwards, Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR A. R. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] T. [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 25 Apr [illegible] |
| CDR John F. [illegible] | [illegible] June [illegible] |
| CDR Howard W. [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR Samuel [illegible] | June [illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1985 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/IO |
| [illegible] Jun 1986 | [illegible] | CVW-6 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| 28 Aug 1987 | 08 Oct 1987 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Nor Lant |
| 25 Apr 1988 | 07 Oct 1988 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med/IO/Nor Lant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1990 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-6 | CV 59 | A-6E & KA-6D | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AK | [illegible] |
| COMFAIRJACKSONVILLE | | [illegible] Sep 1958 |
| CVG-10/CVW-10[1] | AK | 26 Apr 1959 |
| CVW-[illegible] | AK | [illegible] |
| COMFAIRJACKSONVILLE | | 06 Dec 196[illegible] |
| COMFAIRNORFOLK | | May 196[illegible] |
| CVW-6 | AE | 03 Apr 1969 |

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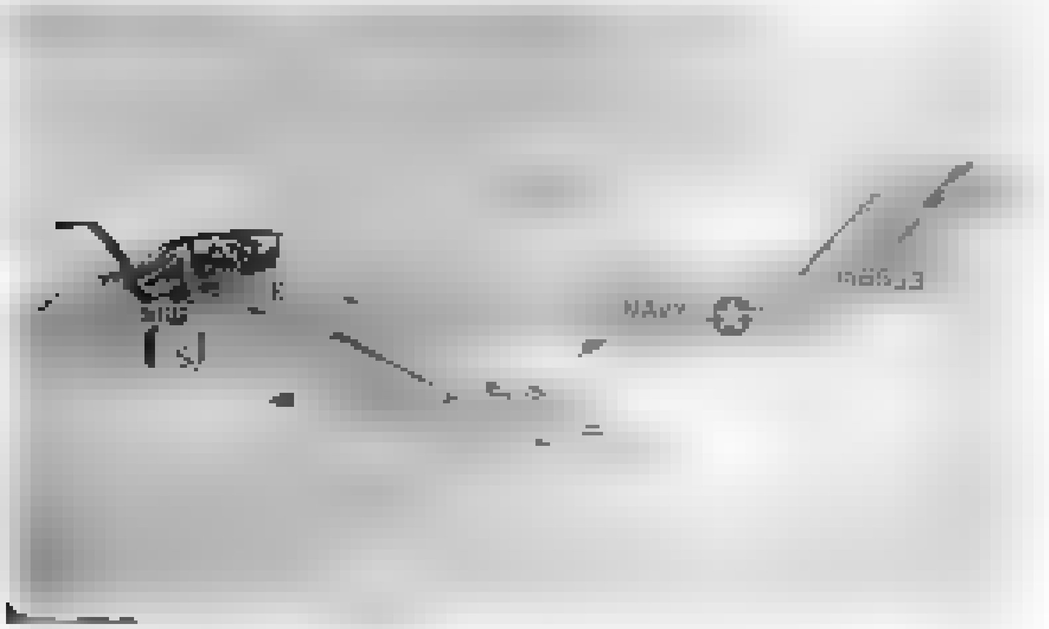
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| RVNGC | [illegible] May 196[illegible] | [illegible] |



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# VA-185

## Lineage

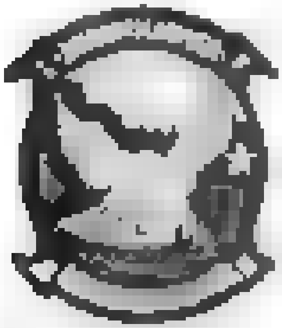
Established as Attack Squadron ONE EIGHTY FIVE (VA-185) on 1 December 1986.

Disestablished on 30 August 1991. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-185 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 8 September 1986. Colors for the hawk insignia were: a black background; blue [illegible] with white [illegible] strip; white hawk with black markings; red eye and yellow [illegible]; blue [illegible]; all outlined in black with gray lettering; [illegible] outlined in black with blue lettering.

Nickname: Nighthawks, 1986–1991.



The squadron's [illegible] insignia.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Sep 1987:** The squadron was forward deployed to NAF Atsugi, Japan, and assigned to Midway (CV 41), home ported at Naval Station Yokosuka, Japan.

**Nov 1987–Jan 1988:** The squadron flew sorties in support of Operation Earnest Will, escort operations for reflagged Kuwaiti tankers during the Iraq-Iranian War in the Persian Gulf.

**Sep 1988:** VA-185, embarked on Midway, operated in the Sea of Japan during the Summer Olympics being held in Korea to demonstrate U.S. support for a peaceful Olympics.

**Dec 1989:** Midway, with VA-185 embarked, operated off the coast of Philippines during an attempted coup in that country.

**Nov 1990–Jan 1991:** The squadron flew in support of Operation Desert Shield, the buildup of American and Allied forces to counter a threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia by Iraq and [illegible] [illegible] of Iraq [illegible] withdrawal from Kuwait.

**Jan–Feb 1991:** The squadron participated in Operation Desert Storm. VA-185 [illegible] United States [illegible] operating in the Persian Gulf during the Gulf War. [illegible] strikes against airfields and [illegible] and provided close air support for [illegible] forces. The squadron flew a total of [illegible] combat missions [illegible] combat flight hours and delivered [illegible] pounds of ordnance on enemy targets.

**[illegible] Aug 1991:** The squadron held a disestablishment ceremony at NAF Atsugi, Japan. It was officially disestablished on 30 August 1991.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Whidbey Island | 1 Dec 1986 |
| NAF Atsugi, Japan | Sep 1987 |

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR William [illegible] | 1 Dec 1986 |
| CDR [illegible] | 12 [illegible] 1988 |
| CDR [illegible] | 1 [illegible] 1990 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-6E | [illegible] 1987 |
| KA-6D | [illegible] Sep 1987 |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1987 | [illegible] Apr 1988 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| 16 [illegible] 1988 | [illegible] 1988 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1988 | [illegible] Feb 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1989 | [illegible] Apr 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] Jul 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1989 | [illegible] 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 1990 | [illegible] Apr 1990 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1990 | [illegible] Apr 1991 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO/Persian Gulf |

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Note: VA-185 [illegible]

### Air Wing Assignments

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### Unit Awards Received

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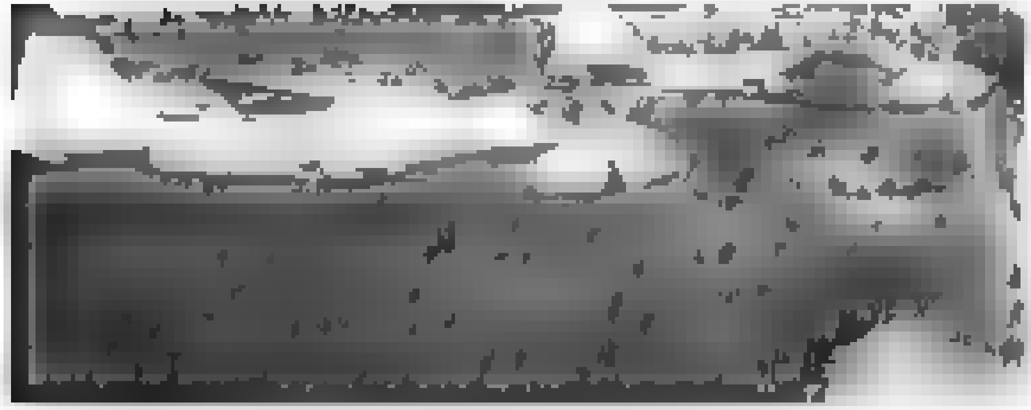

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# VA-194

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nicknames

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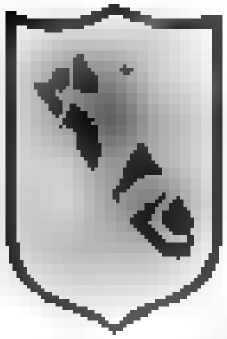

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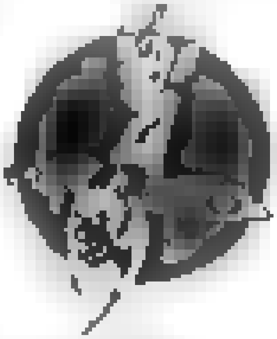

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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[illegible] on 5 November. For the[ir] [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] E. Banke and [illegible] were awarded [illegible]

[illegible] 1944. The squadron and air group [illegible] [illegible] to the States.

### Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS Los Alamitos | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| NAS Kahului | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NAAS Santa Rosa | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Kahului | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] |
| NAB [illegible] Point | |
| Naval [illegible] Saipan | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] E. Banke [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] William [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] Edwin [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Campaign Medal<br>Asiatic-Pacific | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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# VA 196

## Lineage

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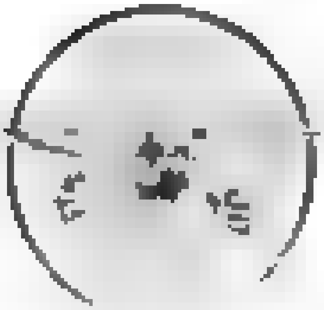


## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

**Feb–Mar 1973** Squadron helicopters provided support for Operation End Sweep, the clearing of mines from North Vietnamese waters.

**Apr 1975** The squadron, along with other [illegible] helicopter squadrons, provided support during the evacuation of personnel from Saigon as it fell to the Communists.

**Feb 1977** During the crisis in Uganda and threats against Americans in that country, *Enterprise*, with [illegible] embarked, operated off the coast of Kenya ready to evacuate Americans from Uganda.

**Dec 1979** [illegible] with [illegible] embarked, operated off the coast of South Korea following the assassination of South Korea's President Park Chung Hee on 26 October.

**Apr 1982** [illegible] the squadron embarked [illegible] of the task force [illegible] supporting the [illegible].

**Mar 1986** Following the political unrest in South Korea, the squadron embarked in [illegible] operated off the coast of that country.

**Aug 1988** Due to the unrest and violence in [illegible], [illegible] with [illegible] embarked, operated off the coast of Singapore and also participated in [illegible] the [illegible].

**Jul 1987** Due to the increased attacks on merchant and tanker shipping in the Persian Gulf during the Iran–Iraq War, the United States began to escort reflagged Kuwaiti tankers. During Operation Earnest Will, [illegible] provided [illegible] support for the first convoy of reflagged tankers [illegible] through the Strait of Hormuz.

**Aug 1990** Due to the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, *Independence*, with [illegible] embarked, was ordered to the North Arabian Sea.

**Aug 2 [illegible] 1990** [illegible] flew [illegible] sorties [illegible] *Independence* in support of Operation Desert Shield, the build up of American and Allied forces to counter a threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia by Iraq.

[illegible] Nov 1990 [illegible] *Independence* entered the Persian Gulf and operated in those waters [illegible] before returning to the Northern Arabian Sea. [illegible] continued [illegible] for Operation Desert Shield until *Independence* was [illegible] November and departed for its return trip to the States.

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | [illegible]5 Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | Feb 1950 |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Whidbey Island | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Eugene G. [illegible] | [illegible]5 Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR Thomas [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Milton [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR H. R. [illegible] | Dec 1953 |
| LCDR R. [illegible] | Jun 1955 |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | Jan 1957 |
| LCDR [illegible] | 8 Apr 1958 |
| CDR R. R. [illegible] | 10 Jul 1959 |
| CDR G. P. Powers | 10 Jun 1960 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR C. E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR W. P. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] T. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Edward [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1970 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Howard [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] H. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR Lyle F. Bull | 2[illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Smith | [illegible] |
| CDR Thomas A. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR Robert E. [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR Kenneth L. Pyle | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Thomas F. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F[illegible]F-[illegible] | Jul 1948 |
| F[illegible]F-[illegible] | [illegible] May 1949 |
| [illegible] | Aug 195[illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] |
| AD-[illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-6[illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-6[illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| KA-6D | [illegible] |
| A-6E | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

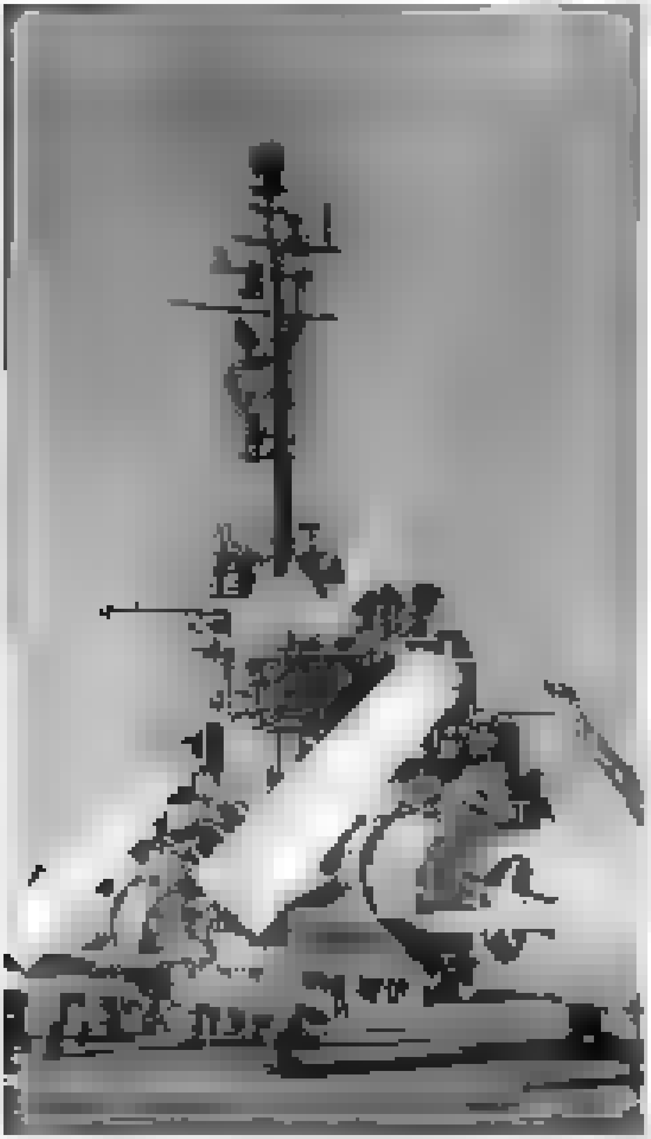
[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea, WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | CVG-19 | CVA-31 | A-1H/J | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-19 | CVA-31 | A-1H/J | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | Jan 1966 | CVW-19 | CVA-31 | A-1H/J | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] & KA-6D | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6A/B & KA-6D | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6A & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| 04 Apr 1978 | [illegible] | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1980 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Aug 198[illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 198[illegible] | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] Aug 1985 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Sep 1986 | 30 Oct 1986 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1987 | [illegible] 1987 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Dec 1988 | [illegible] Jun 1989 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Sep 1989 | [illegible] 1989 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E & KA-6D | NorPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1990 | [illegible] Dec 1990 | CVW-14 | [illegible] | A-6E | WestPac/IO<br>Persian Gulf |



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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-15 | A | 15 Jul 1948 |
| CVG-19 | B | 01 Dec 1949 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| COMFAIRALAMEDA |  | 25 Feb 1959 |
| CVG-19/CVW-19 | NM | 22 Jun 1959 |
| CVW-[illegible] | NK | [illegible] |
| CVW-2 | NE | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | NK | 03 Jun 1970 |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| KSM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 10 Apr 1953 | [illegible] |
| KPUC | 07 Dec 1951 | 30 Jun 1952 |
| | 2 May 1953 | 27 Jul 1953 |
| NAVE | 01 Jan 1952 | 30 Jun 1953 |
| AFEM | 12 Nov 1958 | 15 Nov 1958 |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 05 Jun 1964 | 10 Jun 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1964 | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 26 [illegible] [illegible] | 05 Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | 4 Apr 1970 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| RVNGC | [illegible] Jul 1965 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul 1965 | 28 Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] 1965 | |
| | [illegible] Dec 1965 | |
| NUC | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep 1965 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | 08 Jul 1965 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | 25 Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | 05 Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 24 Jul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Jul 1968 |
| | 12 Aug 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1968 | [illegible] Jul 1968 |
| | 26 Jul 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | [illegible] Dec 1968 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1969 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] Dec 1969 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1969 | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Jan 1971 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb 1971 | 3 Mar [illegible] |
| | 10 Apr 1971 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | 26 Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 1972 | [illegible] 1972 |
| | 11 Jul 1972 | [illegible] Jul 1972 |
| | [illegible] 1972 | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec 1972 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | 11 Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | 30 Apr [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] June [illegible] |
| MUC | 8 Mar [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 05 Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | 4 Aug [illegible] |
| | 12 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] |
| HSM | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | 30 Apr [illegible] |
| NEM | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | 31 Jul [illegible] |
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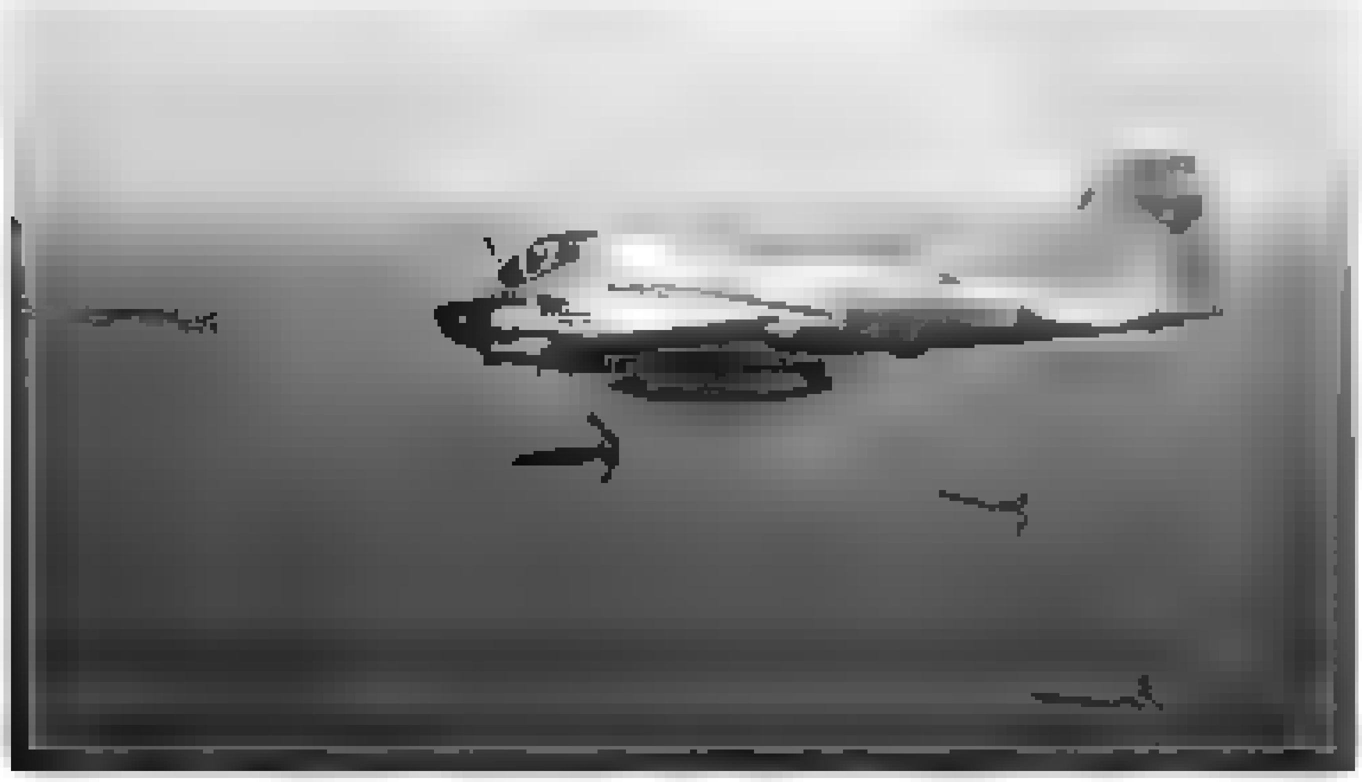

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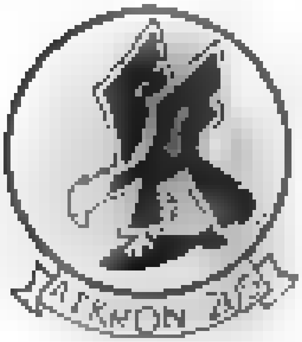
# VA-205

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED FIVE (VA-205) on 1 July 1970.

Disestablished on [illegible] December 1994. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-205 designation.



The squadron's [illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] 1970 [illegible] the insignia are white and [illegible] [illegible] with white markings.

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

**1 Jul 1970:** VA-205 and other reserve squadrons were established under a reorganization intended to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force.

**Aug 1971:** The squadron conducted its two week active duty training onboard USS *John F. Kennedy* (CV 67) as part of CVWR-20. This was the first time a whole Reserve Carrier Air Wing embarked aboard a carrier.

**May 1972:** The squadron participated in Exercise Exotic Dancer V, designed to test [illegible] under a unified command organization.

**Sep 1975:** Squadron pilots began transition training with [illegible] in preparation for receiving the A-7 Corsair II.

**[illegible]-16 Jul 1982:** The squadron, along with other units of CVWR-20, participated in operations [illegible] with emphasis on coordinated strike operations.

**[illegible] Mar 1986:** During its [illegible] detachment to NAS Fallon, the squadron participated in [illegible] training [illegible] excellent [illegible] United States [illegible].

**[illegible] 1994:** The squadron received the additional mission of Fleet [illegible] Readiness Group (FTRG) [illegible] simulated [illegible] attacks on surface ships for training purposes. This mission had [illegible] been performed by [illegible] Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadrons.

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Atlanta | 1 Jul 1970 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Robert F. Hazen | 1 Jul 1970 |
| CDR George R. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Smith | 2[illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Blake | [illegible] Aug 1978 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1980 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR Robert T. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 2[illegible] Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 18 Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 199[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas R. [illegible] | [illegible] June 1992 |
| CDR [illegible] White | [illegible] 199[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-1H | [illegible] |
| A-1E | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| CVW-5 | NF | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA-209

## Lineage

Established as Reserve Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED NINE (VA-209) on 1 July 1970.

Disestablished on [illegible] August 1971. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-209 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There is no record of an officially approved insignia for the squadron.

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**1 Jul 1970:** VA-209 was one of the squadrons established as part of a reorganization intended to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force.

**5 Aug 1971:** The squadron was disestablished due to [illegible] replacement by the addition of [illegible] fighter squadron to Reserve Air Wing 20.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Glenview | 01 Jul 1970 |

## Commanding Officers

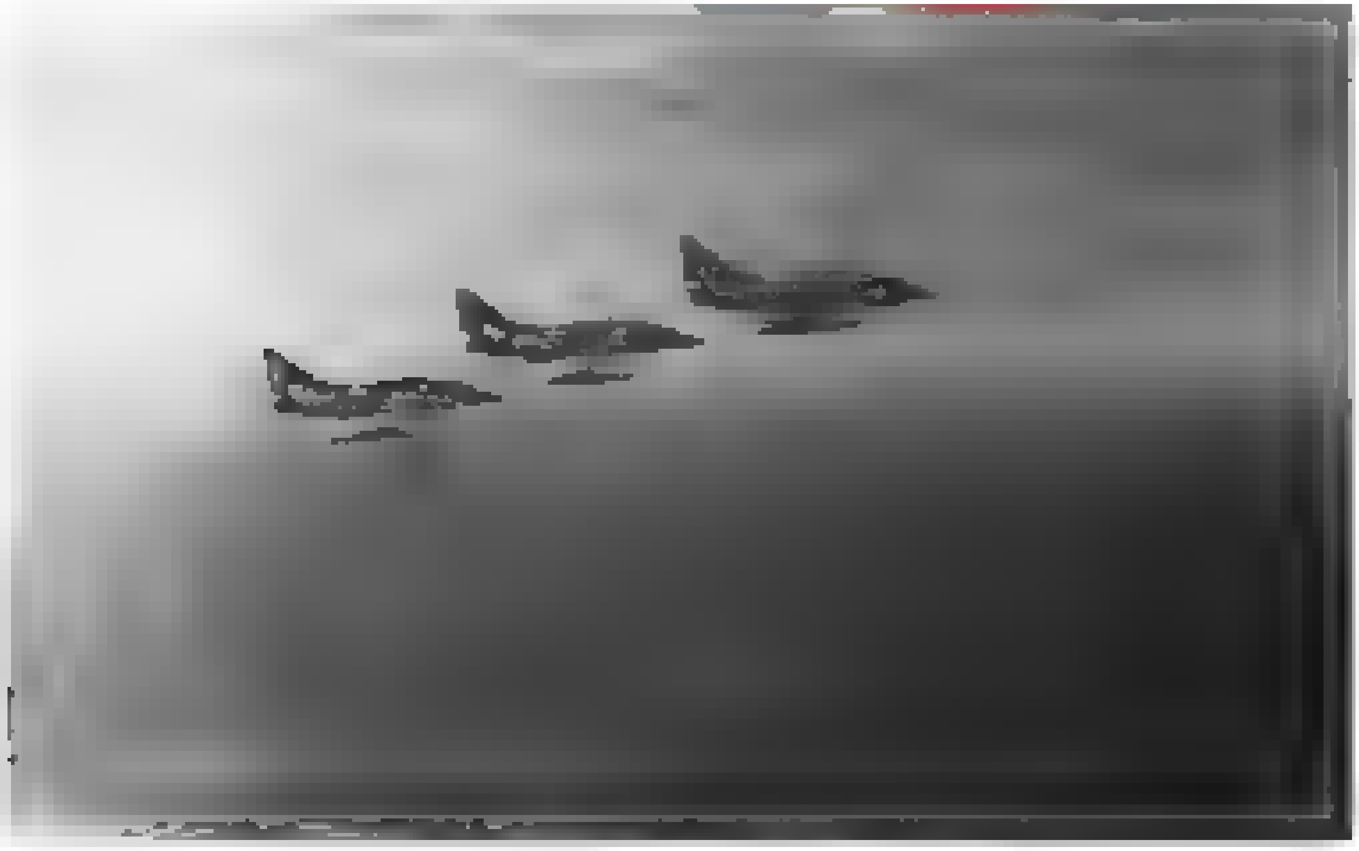
| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR William [illegible] Miller | 01 Jul 1970 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-4[illegible] | 01 Jul 1970 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVWR-20 | AF | 01 Jul 1970 |



Squadron [illegible] aircraft [illegible] 1970 [illegible].

# VA-210

## Lineage

Established as Reserve Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED TEN (VA-210) on 1 July 1970.

Disestablished on 30 June 1977. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-210 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved by CNO on 5 April 1971. Colors for the insignia were: sky blue background with three [illegible] yellow; dark blue and yellow ball outlined in black; yellow lightning with black trim; ship and flag red; scroll dark blue trimmed in white; all outlined in black with black lettering.

[illegible] insignia [illegible]

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Jul 1970: VA-210, a reserve squadron, was established as part of a reorganization plan intended to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force. Assets from reserve squadron [illegible] were used to form VA-210.

4 Dec 1970: The squadron conducted its first operational flight.

30 Jun 1977: The squadron was disestablished due to [illegible] to the addition of [illegible] squadrons to the [illegible] Wing 20.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS South Weymouth | 01 Jul 1970 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | 01 Jul 1970 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-4B | [illegible] |
| A-4L | [illegible] |

[illegible] were assigned to the squadron.

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVWR-20 | AF | 01 Jul 1970 |

# VA 212

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] H. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR T[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | Apr 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 1[illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 195[illegible] |
| CDR Kenneth H. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR Frank [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR W[illegible] H. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| CDR Richard B. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR Edwin [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR Robert W. [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| F[illegible] | Jul 195[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | Aug 195[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | Apr 195[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| A[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Aug 1956 | [illegible] Feb 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible]A | F7U | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1958 | [illegible] Dec 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1959 | [illegible] Oct 1959 | [illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] Jun 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1962 | [illegible] Aug 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1963 | [illegible] Dec 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | A-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-21 | [illegible]A 19 | A-4E | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | A-4E | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1967 | CVW-21 | [illegible]A | A-4E | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible]A | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] Aug 1969 | [illegible] Apr 1970 | CVW-21 | [illegible]A 19 | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-21 | [illegible]A 19 | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible]A 19 | A-4F | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-21 | [illegible] 19 | A-4F | WestPac |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | NP | [illegible] |
| CVW-5 | NF | [illegible] |
| CVW-21 | NP | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| AFEM | [illegible] Aug 1958 |  | [illegible] 1959 |
|  | [illegible] Aug 1958 |  | [illegible] 1959 |
|  | [illegible] 1958 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] 1958 |  | [illegible] 1959 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | [illegible] 1958 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] 1958 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] 1958 |  | [illegible] 1959 |
|  | [illegible] 1958 |  | [illegible] 1959 |
|  | [illegible] 1959 |  | [illegible] 1959 |
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|  | [illegible] 1960 |  | [illegible] 1960 |
|  | [illegible] 1962 |  | [illegible] 1962 |
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|  | [illegible] 1962 |  | [illegible] Apr 1962 |
|  | [illegible] 1962 |  | [illegible] 1962 |
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|  | [illegible] 1964 |  | [illegible] 1965 |
|  | [illegible] 1968 |  | [illegible] 1969 |
|  | [illegible] 1969 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] 1970 |  | [illegible] 1970 |
|  | [illegible] Feb 1970 |  | [illegible] Feb 1970 |
| NU[illegible] | [illegible] 1965 |  | 25 Jul 1966 |
|  | [illegible] Feb 1968 |  | [illegible] 1968 |
|  | [illegible] Feb 1972 |  | [illegible] 1972 |
| MU[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1969 |  | [illegible] 1970 |
|  | [illegible] 1970 |  | [illegible] 1971 |
| RVN[illegible] | [illegible] 1964 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] 1965 |  | [illegible] 1965 |
|  | [illegible] 1966 |  | [illegible] 1966 |
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|  | [illegible] Feb 1966 |  | [illegible] 1966 |
|  | [illegible] Feb 1966 |  | [illegible] 1966 |
|  | [illegible] 1966 |  | [illegible] Apr 1966 |
|  | 25 [illegible] 1966 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] Jun 1966 |  |  |
|  | [illegible] Jun 1966 |  | 29 Jun 1966 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
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### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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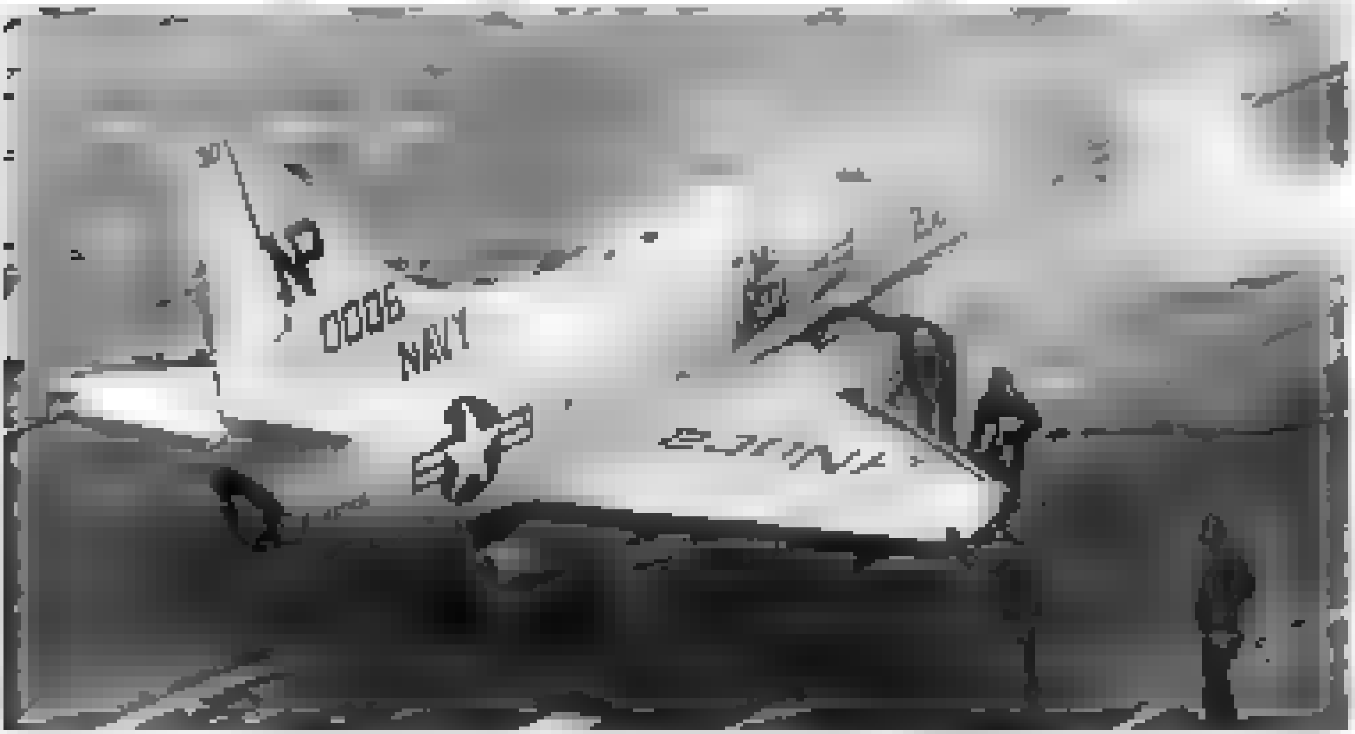

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# VA-213

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED THIRTEEN (VA-213) on 1 September 1948.

On [illegible] the squadron was disestablished. [illegible] 1950. It was the first squadron to be assigned the VA-213 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There is no record of an officially approved insignia for the squadron.

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**1 Sep 1948:** The squadron was established with the mission of being an all-weather attack unit and part of a Navy program that was to form all-weather attack squadrons. Personnel attended instrument training at the Fleet All-Weather Training Unit, Pacific.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Seattle | 1 Sep 1948 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR H. H. [illegible] Jr. | 1 Sep 1948 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBM-3E | Jan 1949 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | 01 Sep 1948 |

[illegible]

# VA-214

### Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED FOURTEEN (VA-214) on 1 September 1948.

Disestablished on 1 Nov 1949. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-214 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There is no record of an officially approved insignia for the squadron.

Nickname: unknown.

### Chronology of Significant Events

Sep 1948: The squadron was established with the mission of being an all-weather attack unit and part of a Navy program that was to develop all-weather attack squadrons. Squadron personnel attended instrument training at the Fleet All-Weather Training Unit, Pacific.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Seattle | Sep 1948 |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR William [illegible] | Sep 1948 |
| LCDR Joseph [illegible] | Nov 1948 |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| TBM-3E | Jan 1949 |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| * | | Sep 1948 |

* [illegible]

# SECOND VA-214

### Lineage

Established as Fighter Squadron [illegible] (VF-[illegible]) on [illegible] 195[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron TWO [illegible] FOURTEEN (VA-214) on [illegible] October 195[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] August 1958. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-214 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia [illegible]

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] 195[illegible]. Colors for the insignia were a light blue background with a [illegible] [illegible] thunderbird yellow and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Nickname: [illegible] 1957–1958.

### Chronology of Significant Events

In late 1958 VA-[illegible] [illegible] the first squadron on the West Coast to make an extended deployment to the western Pacific with the new FJ-4B Fury.

### Home Port Assignment

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] 195[illegible] |

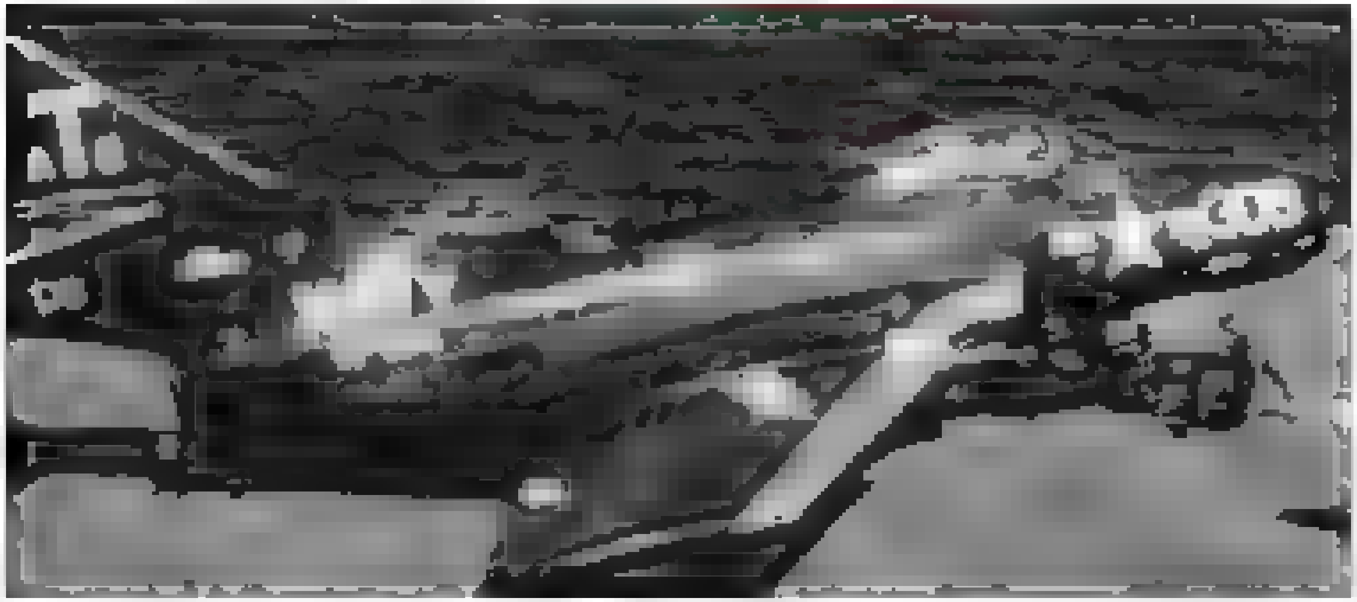
[illegible]

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] Stude [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| FJ-[illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| FJ-4B | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |



[illegible] FJ-4 [illegible] 195[illegible] [illegible]

## *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] 1956 | AT[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] 1958 | AT[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## *Air Wing Assignments*

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| AT[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 1955 |

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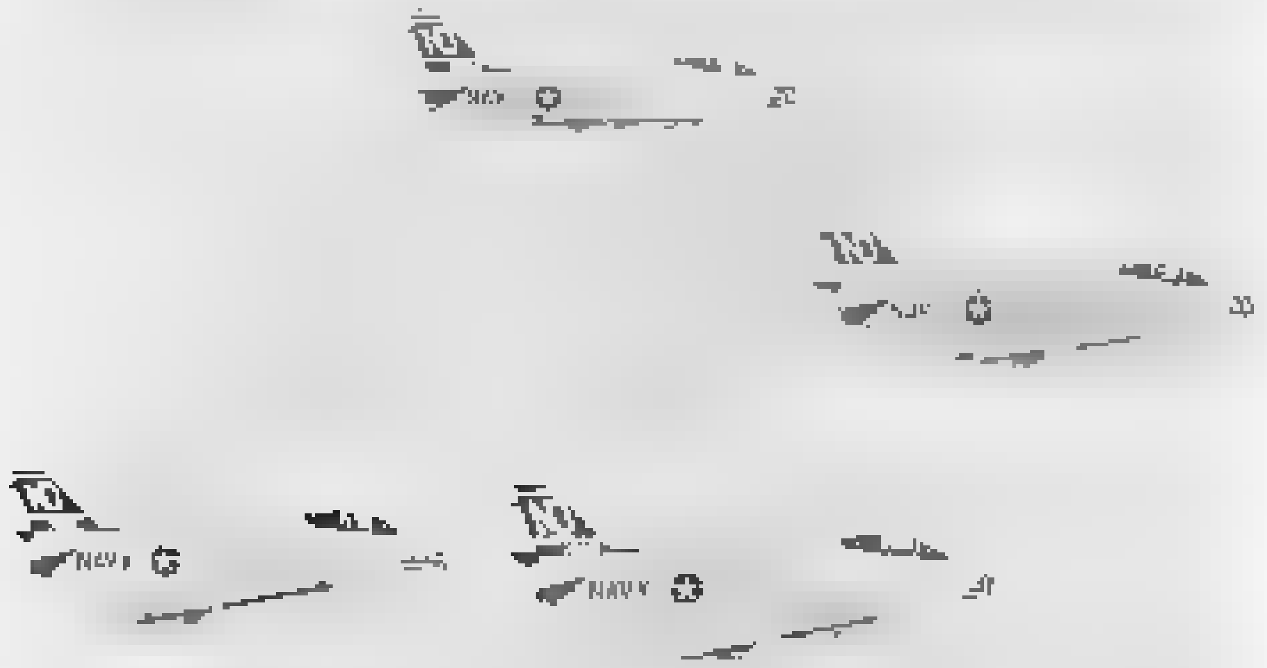

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# VA-215

## Lineage

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 Aug 1956 | 28 Feb 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1958 | 19 Dec 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 28 Aug 1959 | [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] Jun 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1962 | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1963 | [illegible] 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1966 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | NP | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| AFEM | [illegible] June 1958 | [illegible] Aug 1958 |
| | [illegible] June 1958 | [illegible] Sep 1958 |
| | [illegible] 1958 | |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] 1958 |
| | [illegible] 1958 | |
| | [illegible] 1958 | |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] Nov 1958 |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] Nov 1958 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1959 | [illegible] Jul 1959 |
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| NU | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
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## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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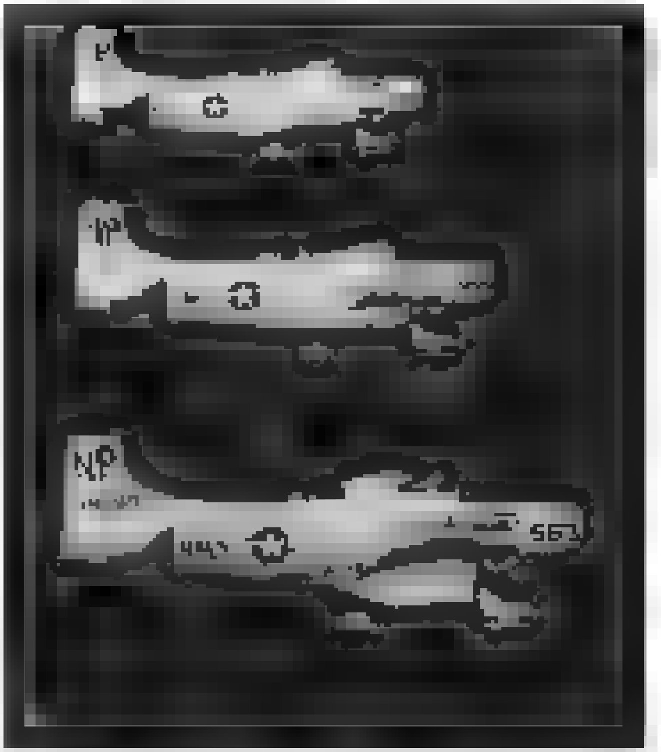

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# SECOND VA-215

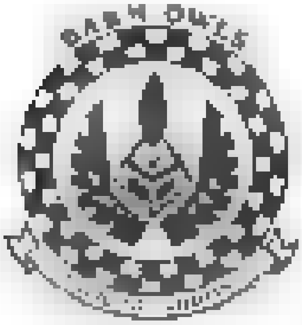
## Lineage

[illegible] (VA-215) [illegible]

Disestablished on [illegible]. The second squadron to be assigned the VA-215 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia [illegible]



[illegible]

Nickname: Barn Owls, [illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Phillips | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
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## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
| 16 Sep 1975 | [illegible] Mar 1976 | CVW-19 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | NM | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| AFEM | 20 Apr [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |
| [illegible] | 4 Dec [illegible] | 8 Apr 1969 |
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | Jan 1969 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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| | [illegible] | 28 Sep [illegible] |
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# VA-216

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Frank W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 Mar 1956 | 3 Sep 1956 | ATG-4 | CVA 10 | AD-4B/NA | WestPac |
| 06 Jan 1958 | 03 Jul 1958 | ATG-4 | CVA 12 | AD-7 | WestPac |
| 23 Aug 1958 | 12 Jan 1959 | ATG-4 | CVA 20 | AD-6 | WestPac |
| 29 Oct 1960 | 06 Jun 1961 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 16 | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| 02 Feb 1962 | 24 Aug 1962 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 19 | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| 07 Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 10 Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 1967 | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 07 Sep 1968 | 18 Apr 1969 | CVW-15 | CVA 43 | A-4C | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 02 Dec 1969 | 08 Jul 1970 | CVW-17 | CVA 59 | A-4E | Med |

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| ATG-4 | [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1956 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1959 |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1967 |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| CVW-15 | [illegible] | 1968 |
| CVW-17 | AA | 1969 |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | [illegible] 1957 | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1965 | [illegible] Jul 1966 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1969 |
| RVNGC | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 19 Jun 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Dates | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 27 Jan 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Jun 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Jun 1966 | 29 Jun 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Oct 1966 | 10 Nov 1966 |
| | [illegible] Oct 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Oct 1966 | |
| | 11 Dec 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1966 | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Dates | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | |
| | [illegible] Feb 1967 | 20 Feb 1969 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1967 | [illegible] Mar 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jan 1967 | [illegible] Mar 1969 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1967 | [illegible] Jan 1968 |
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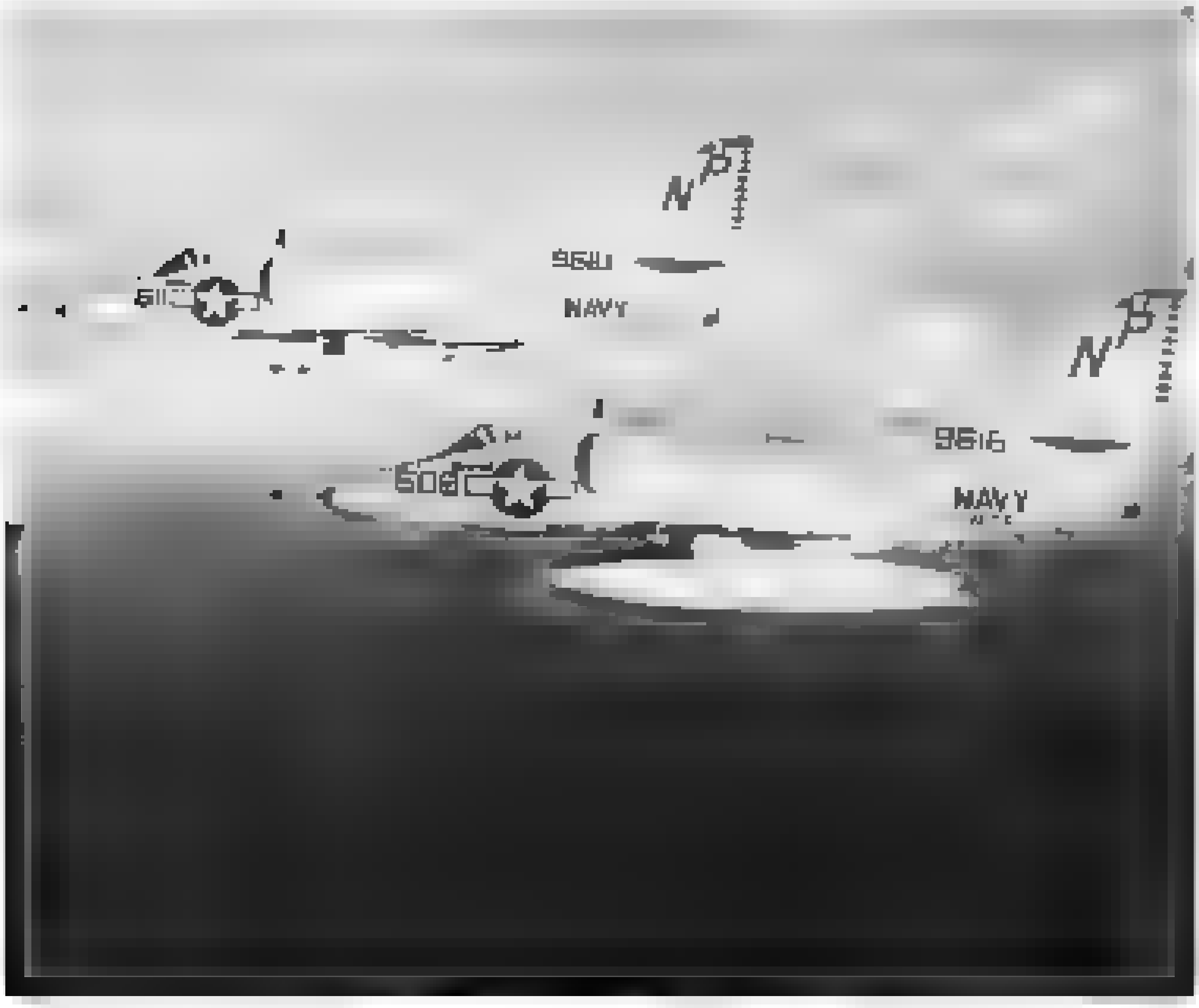


[illegible]

# VA-304

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THREE HUNDRED FOUR (VA-304) on 1 July 1970.

Disestablished on 31 December 1994. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-304 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

CNO approved [illegible] insignia.

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible]. Colors for the insignia were a black outer circle with a white border; the outline of the [illegible] and the [illegible], a white skull with shades of gray; and a black scroll with red lettering.

Nickname: Firebirds, 1970–1994.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**1 Jul 1970:** VA-304, a reserve squadron, established as part of a reorganization intended to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force. Elements of reserve unit [illegible] were used to form the newly established VA-304.

**May 1987:** VA-304 operated from the Canadian Forces Base at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, participating in exercise [illegible]. The exercise was a mock full-scale battle between elements of the Canadian Armed Forces with VA-304 acting as the aggressor force.

**Aug 1988:** VA-304 was the first reserve squadron to receive and operate the HARM missile.

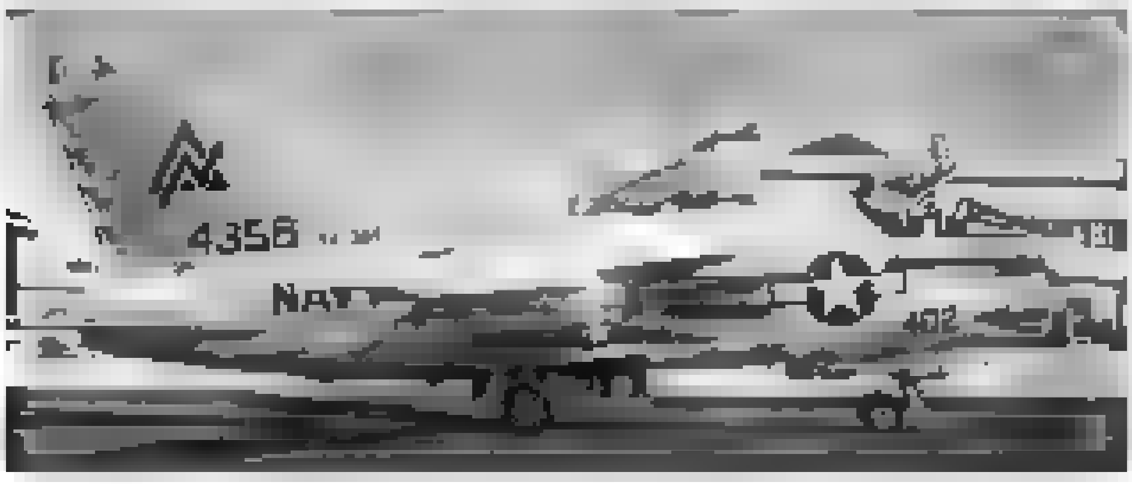
A squadron A-7[illegible], circa [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Home | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | 1 Jul 1970 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR John E. Thompson | 1 Jul 1970 |
| CDR Peter [illegible] | 1 Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR Raymond [illegible] Blake | 30 Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 1 Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR Matthew [illegible] | Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR Frank [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR R. F. [illegible] | Jan 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Mar 198[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas W. [illegible] | Sep 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Simmons | 20 Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 30 Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR John R. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Mar 199[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Nov 199[illegible] |
| CDR William A. [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 199[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 25 Jun 199[illegible] |



A squadron A-7[illegible] [illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | 05 Aug [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 30 Sep [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VA-776

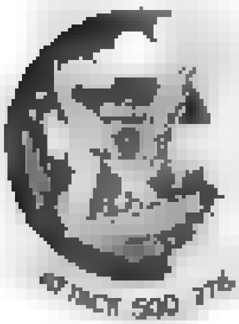
## Lineage

Reserve Attack Squadron [illegible] (VA-776) [illegible] called to active duty [illegible] Pueblo.

Disestablished and returned to reserve status [illegible] 1968.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron insignia was approved by [illegible] [illegible] the insignia: [illegible] White [illegible] dark [illegible] white [illegible] eagle with dark markings [illegible] with dark markings and the [illegible] with dark markings [illegible] and the [illegible] lettering.



[illegible]

Nickname: none recorded.

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Jan 1968: The President directed the mobilization of [illegible] following the capture of Pueblo [illegible] by North Korean patrol boats on [illegible] January 1968.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Los Alamitos | [illegible] 1968 |
| NAS Lemoore | Jun 1968 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR William E. Johnson, Jr. | [illegible] 1968 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-4B | Feb 1968 |
| [illegible] | Jun 1968 |
| A-4E | [illegible] 1968 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Jun 1968 |

[illegible]

[illegible]

# VA-831

## Lineage

Reserve Attack Squadron EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY ONE (VA-831) was recalled to active duty on 1 February 1968.

Was released and returned to reserve status on [illegible] October 1968.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

There is no record of an officially approved insignia. Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

27 Jan 1968: The President directed the activation of [illegible] following the capture of Pueblo (AGER 2) by North Korean patrol boats on 23 January 1968.

1 Feb 1968: The squadron was one of the first activated reserve units in the Navy to be assigned to an operational air wing.

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[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS New York | 1 Feb 1968 |
| NAS Cecil Field | 4 Mar 1968 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Raymond Ketchum | 1 Feb 1968 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-4B | Jan 1968 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| COMFAIRJACKSONVILLE | MA | 1968 |
| CVW-1 | AB | 1 Jul 1968 |

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[illegible]

[illegible]

# VA-873

## Lineage

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

27 Jan 1968: [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

[illegible]

NAS Alameda [illegible]

## Commanding Officers

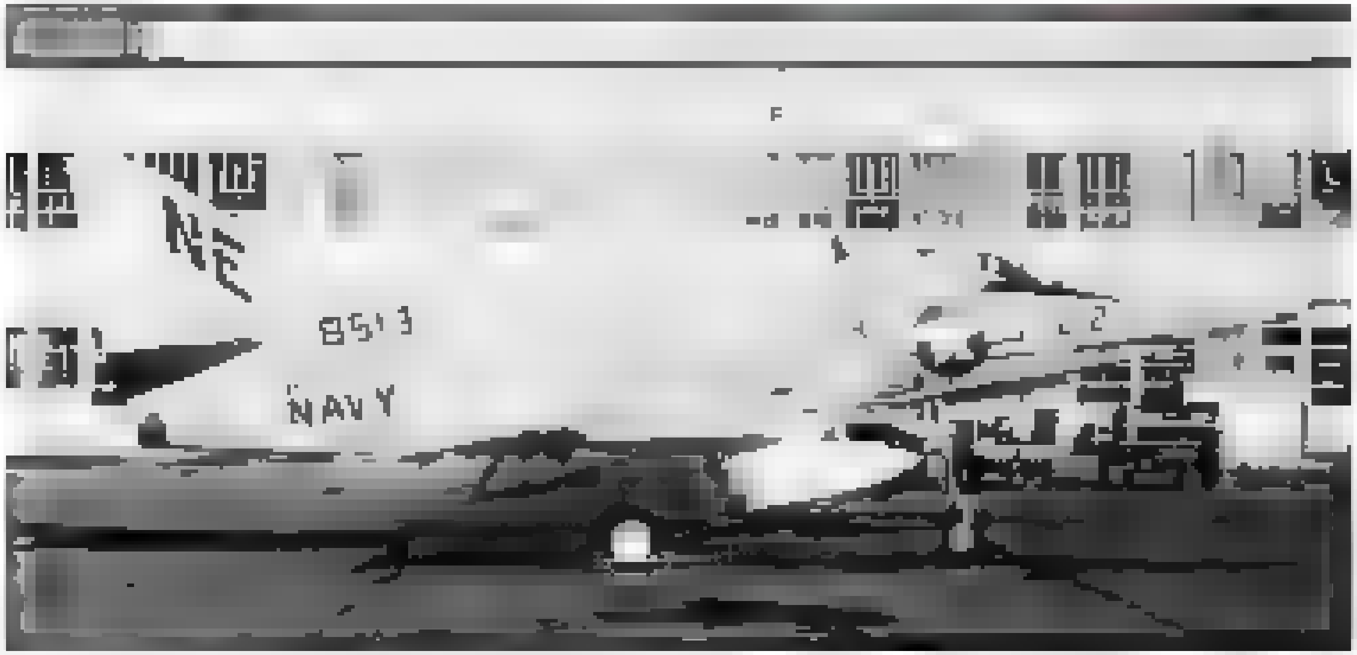
[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

[illegible]



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CHAPTER 3

# Heavy Attack Squadron Histories (VAH)

## VAH-8 to VAH-123

## VAH-8

### Lineage

Established as Heavy Attack Squadron EIGHT (VAH-8) on 1 May 1957.

Disestablished on [illegible] 1968. The only squadron to be assigned the VAH-8 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 25 April 1957. Colors for the insignia were not available.

Nickname: [illegible] 1958–1968.

The squadron's 1957 insignia.

### Chronology of Significant Events

8 Mar 1960: All nine of the squadron's A3D Skywarriors were launched from the deck of Midway [illegible] while deployed to WestPac and flew a nonstop trans-Pacific flight of [illegible] miles to their home port at NAS Whidbey Island. Refueling stops were made at [illegible] Barbers Point and [illegible]. The total flight time was [illegible] hours and the aircraft arrived at NAS Whidbey Island on 8 March.

Mar–Apr 1961: The squadron, while deployed aboard Midway, operated in the South China Sea due to the deteriorating situation of Laotian government forces.

4 Mar 1962: During exercise [illegible], squadron A3Ds were launched from Midway carrying dummy [illegible] which were dropped on a target site at Camp Pendleton.

2 Dec 1964: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander [illegible] E. [illegible], was killed in an aircraft accident aboard [illegible] while returning to [illegible] Point from a training flight. [illegible] Thomas Sarnecky, the crewmember, and [illegible] Russell [illegible] were also killed in the accident.

Apr 1965: The squadron participated in its first combat [illegible]. The squadron's missions were [illegible] against targets such as [illegible] and installations during the month. [illegible] were also flown.

May–Jun 1966: The squadron's A-3Bs [illegible] Constellation [illegible] Cubi Point [illegible]. Constellation [illegible] the Philippines, the squadron aircraft flew operations in support of [illegible] from Ranger.

[illegible] During the deployment the squadron's primary mission was aerial refueling in support of [illegible] strike missions over North Vietnam.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | 1 May 1957 |
| NAS Whidbey Island | 11 Jul 1957 |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCdr. Eugene W. Windham (acting) | 1 May 1957 |
| Cdr. [illegible] B. Fraser | 25 Jun 1957 |
| LCdr. Eugene W. Windham | Jun 1958 |
| Cdr. Frederick R. [illegible] | 19 Jun 1959 |
| LCdr. [illegible] F. Fallon | 16 Feb 1960 |
| Cdr. James T. [illegible] | 1961 |
| LCdr. Francis S. [illegible] | 30 Jan 1962 |
| Cdr. [illegible] E. [illegible] | 11 Jan 1963 |
| LCdr. Arthur B. [illegible] Jr. | 2 Dec 1964 |
| Cdr. Charles W. [illegible] | Dec 1964 |
| LCdr. Ralph E. [illegible] | Sep 1965 |
| Cdr. Thomas P. Stewart | Dec 1966 |

### *Aircraft Assignment*

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195? |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195? |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 195? |

### *Aircraft Assignment—Continued*

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| KA-3B | [illegible] 196? |

[illegible]

[illegible]

### *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 195? | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A3D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 195? | [illegible] 1959 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A3D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1959 | [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A3D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 19?? | [illegible] Sep 19?? | [illegible] | [illegible] | A3D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 19?? | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A3D | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] 196? | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-3B | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-3B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 196? | [illegible] 196? | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-3B | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 196? | [illegible] 196? | [illegible] | [illegible] | KA-3B | WestPac/Vietnam |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| COMFAIRWHIDBEY | | 0[illegible] Jul 1959 |
| CVG-[illegible]/CVW-[illegible] | NE | 0[illegible] Jul 1959 |
| CVW-15 | NL | 15 Jan 1964 |
| CVW-14 | NK | 01 Jan 1967 |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | Mar 1964 | 30 Jun 1965 |
| AFEM | 06 Sep 1958 | 10 Sep 1958 |
| | 22 Sep 1958 | 29 Sep 1958 |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] 1958 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] 1958 |
| | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] 1958 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | 28 Mar 1965 | 07 Apr 1965 |
| | 08 Apr 1965 | [illegible] May 1965 |
| | 19 May 1965 | 23 Jun 1965 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1965 | [illegible] 1965 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 | |
| | [illegible] 1965 | |
| | 2[illegible] Jun 1966 | 22 Jun 1966 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1965 | [illegible] Aug 1965 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1965 | [illegible] 1965 |
| | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] 1965 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] Jul 1966 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1966 | [illegible] Aug 1966 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1967 |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | 25 Jul 1967 |
| | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1967 |
| | [illegible] Sep 196[illegible] | 5 [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

# VAH-15

## Lineage

Established as Heavy Attack Squadron FIFTEEN (VAH-15) on [illegible] January 1958.

Disestablished on [illegible] February 19[illegible]. The only squadron to be assigned the VAH-15 designation.

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] the squadron [illegible] insignia [illegible] the designation [illegible].

Nickname: unknown.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Jan 1958: VAH-15 was established with the designated [illegible] as a tanker squadron. Its primary mission was to provide aerial refueling to the Naval Air Force, Atlantic Fleet.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Norfolk | [illegible] Jan 1958 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Albert [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 1958 |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 1958 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AJ | Jan 1958 |
| A3 | Jun 1958 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| Heavy Attack Wing (HATWING) [illegible] | [illegible] | 1958 |

[illegible]

# VAH-16

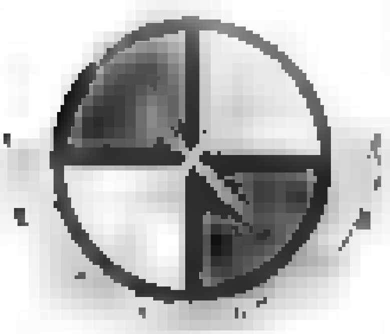
### Lineage

[illegible] 1958.

[illegible] 1959. [illegible]

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] 1958 [illegible]



[illegible]

[illegible]

### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] 1958: The squadron [illegible] refueling.

[illegible] 1958: The squadron established [illegible]

### Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 |

### Commanding Officers

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 |

### Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| A[illegible] | [illegible] 1958 |

### Major Overseas Deployments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

### Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VAH-21

## Lineage

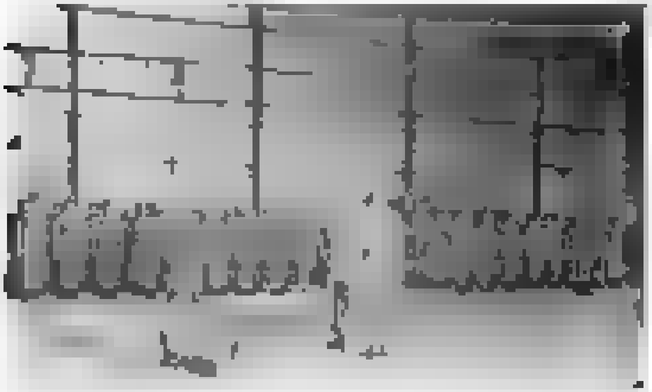
Established as Heavy Attack Squadron TWENTY ONE (VAH-21) on 1 September 1968.

Disestablished on 16 June 1969. The first squadron to be assigned the VAH-21 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia request was disapproved by CNO because the insignia submission reflected the use of a skull design. A new insignia request was not submitted prior to the squadron's disestablishment.

Nickname: unknown.



[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

Sep 1968: Heavy Attack Squadron 21 became the first squadron in the Navy with a night interdiction mission using special electronic detection equipment (multi-sensor). The mission was to interdict logistic movement on the trails and roads.

Sep 1968: A detachment of VAH-21 was established at NAF Cam Ranh Bay, South Vietnam. The detachment at NAF Cam Ranh Bay was listed as Naval Air Test Center Project TRIM Detachment. TRIM (Trails Roads Interdiction Multi-sensor) served as the cover for the VAH-21 detachment.

16 Jun 1969: With the disestablishment of VAH-21, its record did not include any loss of aircraft or aircrew suffered by the squadron during operations in Southeast Asia.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Cubi Point, Philippines | 01 Sep 1968 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR A. E. Freeman | 01 Sep 1968 |
| CDR [illegible] Bauman | 1968 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| AP-2H | Sep 1968 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| FAIRWESTPAC | | 01 Sep 1968 |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NUC | Sep 1968 | 15 Dec 1968 |

[illegible]

# VAH-123

## Lineage

Established as Heavy Attack Training Unit Pacific (HATUPAC) on 15 June 1957.

Redesignated Heavy Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THREE (VAH-123) on 29 June 1959.

Disestablished on 1 February 1971. The first squadron to be assigned the VAH-123 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia with the [illegible] scroll [illegible] [illegible].

The unit's insignia was approved by CNO on 21 August 1959. Colors for the insignia are unknown. Following the unit's redesignation as VAH-123 the HATUPAC designation was removed from the scroll and replaced with VAH-123. In 1961 the design was modified to include an upper scroll with the words Pacific Pride squadron of the [illegible].

Nickname: [illegible], 1961–1971.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Jun 1957:** The unit was established to train personnel for the heavy attack mission involving the A3D Skywarrior and its operations and maintenance.

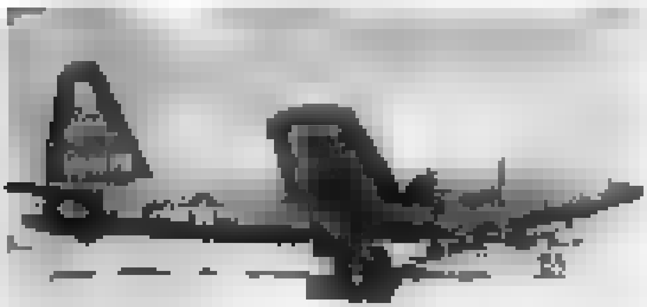
**25 Nov 1958:** Lieutenant Commander [illegible] became the first student to complete the unit's heavy attack training syllabus designed for the A3D Skywarrior.

**Jan–Mar 1959:** The unit incorporated the maintenance training program into its syllabus, thereby providing a complete training program for all aspects of the heavy attack community's operational requirements.

**Aug 1966:** The squadron received its first A-6A Intruder in preparation for fleet replacement training in the new attack aircraft.

**Sep 1967:** VAH-123 was relieved of its mission of replacement training in the A-6 Intruder when VA-128 was established as a separate squadron from VAH-123 and assumed that mission.

**Feb 1971:** VAH-123 was disestablished and the mission of replacement training for the A-3 and KA-3B was transferred to VAQ-[illegible]. All Elements of VAH-123 were transferred to VAQ-[illegible].



A squadron [illegible] Skywarrior [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS North Island | Jun 1957 |
| NAS Whidbey Island | 11 Jul 1957 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jun 1957 |
| CDR Donald A. [illegible] | 10 Jul 1957 |
| CDR Francis [illegible] | Jul 1958 |
| CDR [illegible] | 8 Sep 1959 |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | 29 Jun 1961 |
| CDR R. E. [illegible] | 5 Jun 1962 |
| CDR L. F. [illegible] | 25 Feb 1963 |
| CDR Edward [illegible] | 14 Jun 1965 |
| CDR John [illegible] | 1 Jun 1966 |
| CDR John P. Sandberg | 30 Jun 1967 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 |
| CDR Donald K. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1969 |
| CDR James E. [illegible] | 1970 |

A squadron [illegible] Skywarrior [illegible] [illegible].

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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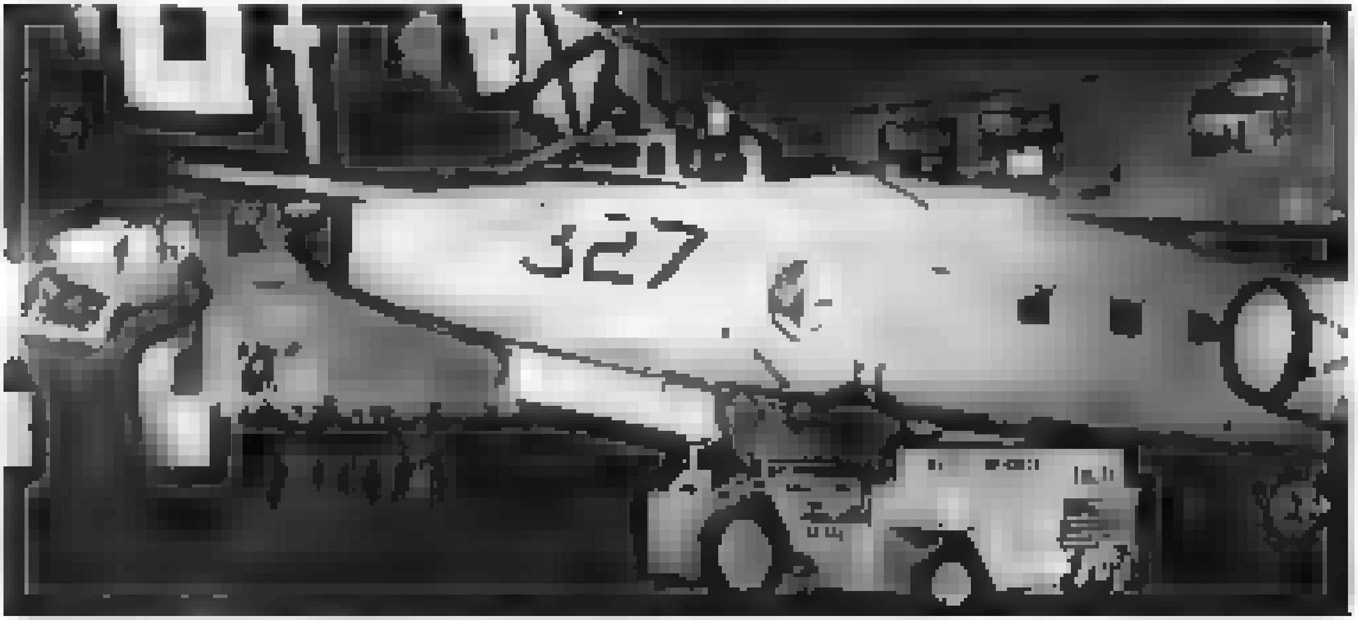

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CHAPTER 4

# Tactical Aerial Refueling Squadron Histories (VAK)

## VAK-208 to VAK-308

## VAK 208

### Lineage

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### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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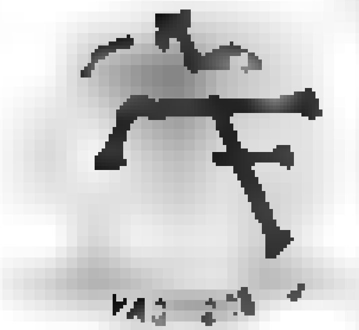
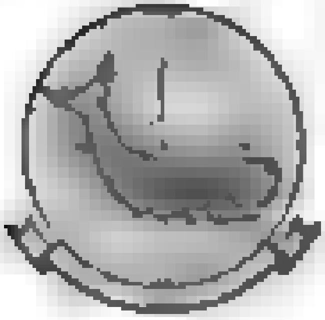




[illegible]

### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

Sep 1978 Squadron aircraft provided [illegible] for the [illegible] Exercise Northern Wedding conducted in the North Atlantic. Squadron aircraft [illegible] during the exercise.

Oct 1979 The squadron was redesignated [illegible] Squadron [illegible]. [illegible]

Mar–Jun 1980 Squadron aircraft provided support for the [illegible] Exercise [illegible].

Sep 1980 Squadron aircraft provided support for the [illegible] Exercise [illegible] in the North Atlantic.

Sep 1981 Squadron aircraft provided support for Exercise [illegible] held in the North Atlantic.

Sep–Oct 1984 Squadron [illegible] participated [illegible] for the NATO Exercise [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | Jul 1970 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Jul 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1972 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1973 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

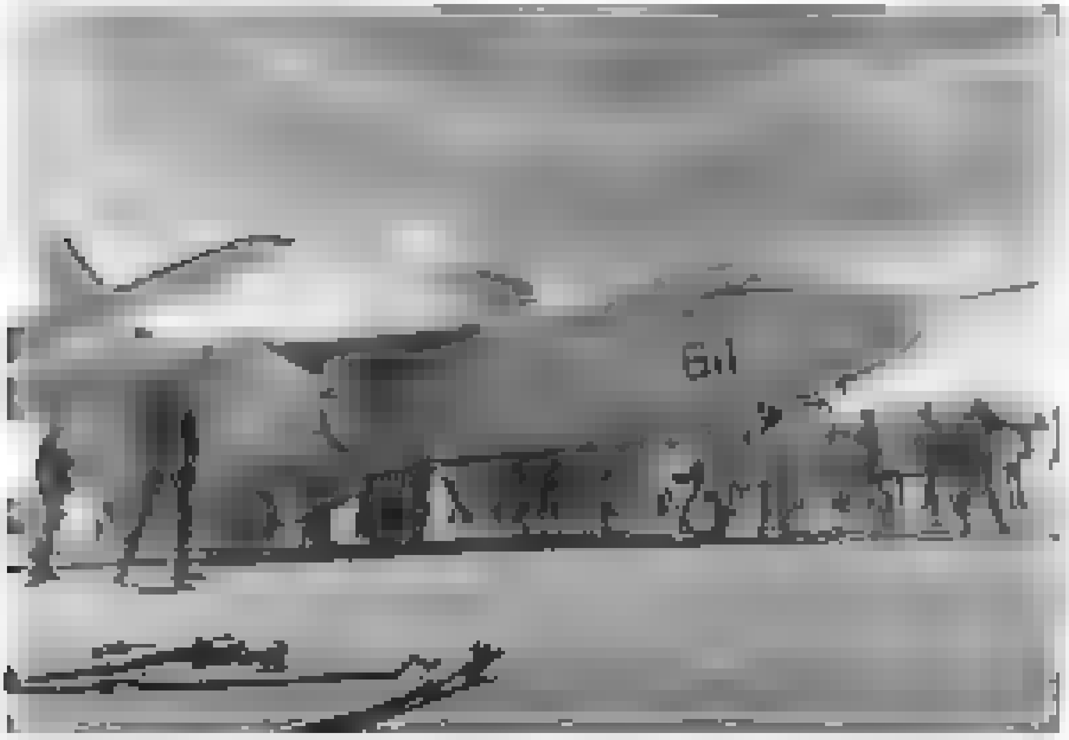
| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| KA-3B | 10 Nov 1970 |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVWR-30 | AF | 1 Jul 1970 |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1980 | [illegible] 1980 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |



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# VAK-308

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

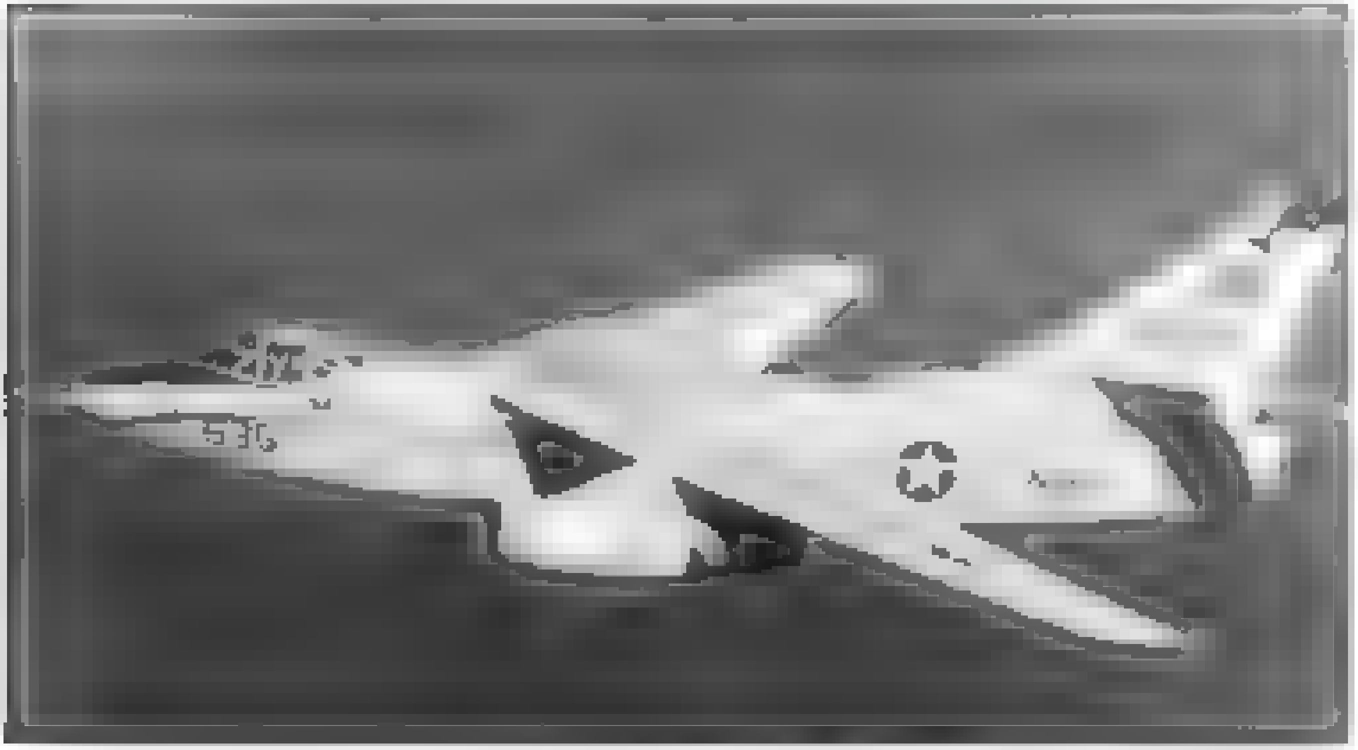
| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |



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CHAPTER 5

# Light Attack Squadron History (VAL)

## VAL-4

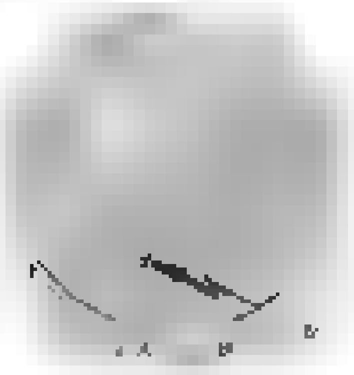
### Lineage

Established as Light Attack Squadron FOUR (VAL-4) on [illegible] January 1969.

Disestablished on 10 April 1972. The first squadron to be assigned the VAL-4 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] 1969. Colors for the first insignia were: a [illegible] background outlined in black, a white [illegible] outlined in black with black [illegible]; black [illegible] yellow [illegible] with black markings; [illegible] outlined in black; the [illegible] shape [illegible] with black markings; the [illegible] salt from the [illegible] black and the explosion was yellow outlined in black.



The [illegible] insignia [illegible]

[illegible] CNO approved a [illegible] to the squadron's insignia. Colors for the horse insignia were: [illegible] background outlined in black, a white [illegible] outlined in black with black [illegible]; [illegible] black [illegible] the [illegible] black.

Nickname: Black Ponies, 1969–1972.

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible]

### Chronology of Significant Events

Sep 1968: [illegible] assigned the responsibility for screening personnel scheduled for assignment to VAL-4.

Dec 1968: [illegible] received its first OV-10 Bronco for training [illegible].

Jan 1969: VAL-4 was established with the mission of conducting surveillance and offensive operations in support of the patrol craft as well as providing air support for SEALs and [illegible] Army and Vietnamese operations.

Mar 1969: VAL-4 [illegible] of the [illegible] Binh Thuy [illegible] combat operations. The squadron had two detachments, Det A assigned to [illegible] Binh Thuy and Det B at [illegible].

19 Apr 1969: The squadron began its first combat [illegible] in support of the [illegible] River Forces in the Mekong Delta of South Vietnam. The missions included armed patrol, scheduled and [illegible] scramble alert and [illegible] artillery spotting.

Apr–May 1970: VAL-4 [illegible] participated in combined [illegible] operations in [illegible]. The [illegible] assigned [illegible] in the [illegible] support of [illegible] and [illegible] strike against enemy sanctuaries [illegible] airfields.

[illegible]

Jul 1971: With the completion of [illegible] Vietnamese Air Force Base [illegible] the [illegible] operating unit [illegible] the squadron's Detachment [illegible] disestablished.

[illegible] Mar 1972: The squadron conducted its last [illegible] and [illegible] disestablishment on 10 Apr 1972.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS North Island | [illegible] |
| NSA Binh Thuy, South Vietnam | [illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert W. [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received for VAL-4 Detachment [illegible]

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

CHAPTER 6

# Heavy Photographic Squadron Histories (VAP)

## VAP-61 to VAP-62

## VAP-61

### Lineage

Established as Patrol Squadron SIXTY ONE (VP-61) on 20 January 195[illegible].

Redesignated Photographic Squadron SIXTY ONE (VJ-61) on 5 March 195[illegible].

Redesignated Heavy Photographic Squadron SIXTY ONE (VAP-61) on 1 April 195[illegible].

Redesignated Composite Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron SIXTY ONE (VCP-61) on 1 July 1959.

Redesignated Heavy Photographic Squadron SIXTY ONE (VAP-61) on 1 July 196[illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] July 197[illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the VAP-61 designation.

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO [illegible] 195[illegible]. The insignia has been used by

This insignia was [illegible]

[illegible] Defense [illegible] approved for use by [illegible]. Colors for the insignia were: a blue background; a gray and white plane with a [illegible] yellow tail and red tongue; the pilot and gunner [illegible] were olive green with yellow life jackets; [illegible] camera [illegible] white [illegible] olive green and brown [illegible] and green [illegible] and white [illegible] helmet and red [illegible] black [illegible] with white [illegible] lights [illegible] with white [illegible] black [illegible] white lens with a blue and white sight; the globe had blue water, yellow land and white [illegible] and black longitude and latitude lines.

A new insignia was approved [illegible] January 196[illegible]. Colors for the insignia were: a light

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]er-blue background; [illegible] medium blue; light sky-blue scroll outlined in dark blue with dark blue lettering; [illegible] the [illegible] on the [illegible] on the [illegible] white [illegible] dark blue longitude and latitude lines. The scroll designation was changed to VAP-61 in 196[illegible].

Nickname: World Recorders.

### Chronology of Significant Events

20 Jan 195[illegible]: The squadron's mission was aerial photographic reconnaissance and photographic mapping. It deployed detachments across the world.

Mar 195[illegible]: A squadron detachment was ordered to photograph the Mississippi Delta area and adjacent coastline.

May 195[illegible]: A squadron detachment was ordered to Alaska to assist with photomapping Alaska for the U.S. Army Map Service.

[illegible] Jul 1959: The squadron's mission was to provide aerial photographic reconnaissance for fleet operations and photographic mapping in the Pacific, deploying detachments for deployment aboard carriers as well as shore duties.

May 1964: Squadron detachments began flying photographic reconnaissance [illegible] over [illegible] and South Vietnam as part of Yankee Team. Detachments were [illegible] carriers operating in the South China Sea.

A squadron P[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

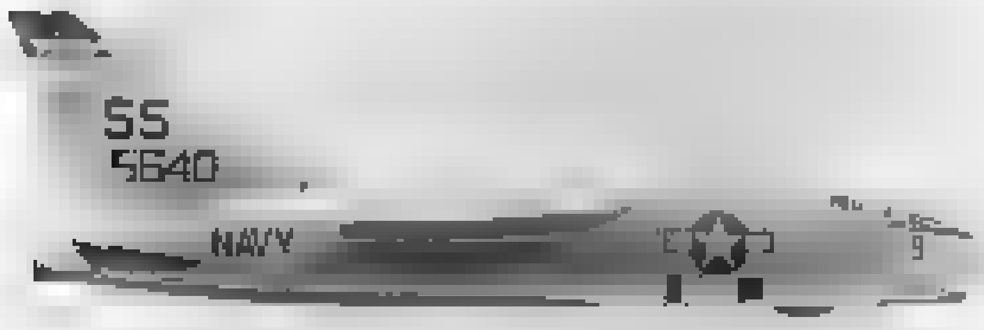
**2–5 Aug 1964:** Squadron detachments aboard [illegible] in operation in the South China Sea provided photo reconnaissance support during the Tonkin Gulf incident following North Vietnamese patrol boat attacks on American destroyers.

**1965:** Squadron detachments continued to operate from carriers in the South China Sea providing photo reconnaissance support for Yankee Team Operations. It was also flying missions over North Vietnam part of the Rolling Thunder [illegible]. The aircraft continued to operate in Yankee Team Operations [illegible] providing [illegible] over the [illegible] South Vietnam.

**Aug 1966:** The squadron flew its first night combat sorties to [illegible] over North Vietnam. This began the use of infrared detectors by the squadron aircraft for detecting [illegible] at night.

**1 Jul 1970:** The squadron's participation in Yankee Team Operations came to an end after 68 months of providing day and night reconnaissance flights over hostile areas in Southeast Asia. Yankee Team missions were flown from carriers operating in the South China Sea as well as from shore bases in Southeast Asia.

**1 Jul 1971:** The squadron was disestablished. During its period of service the squadron conducted aerial photographic mapping [illegible] of the Western [illegible] Alaska, Hawaii and numerous other Pacific islands, Korea, Japan, Okinawa, Philippines, North and South Vietnam, Thailand, New Zealand, [illegible] Borneo, Australia and numerous states of the continental United States.



[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] NAS [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| NS Agana | Jun 1956 |

*One detachment [illegible] April 1952

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Jesse [illegible] Fennell | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR John [illegible] | 19 Jul 1952 |
| *CDR [illegible] | Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| *CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | Jun 1955 |
| *CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1956 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| *CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 |
| *CDR Ralph W. [illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| *CDR Jonathan [illegible] | [illegible] 1960 |
| *CDR [illegible] B. Beach | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR Robert E. [illegible] | [illegible] 1962 |
| CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| *CDR [illegible] A. [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 |
| CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | [illegible] 1966 |
| *CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| *CDR Arthur R. [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 |
| CDR William E. Pipp[illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | 30 [illegible] 1970 |

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| FAW [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments—Continued

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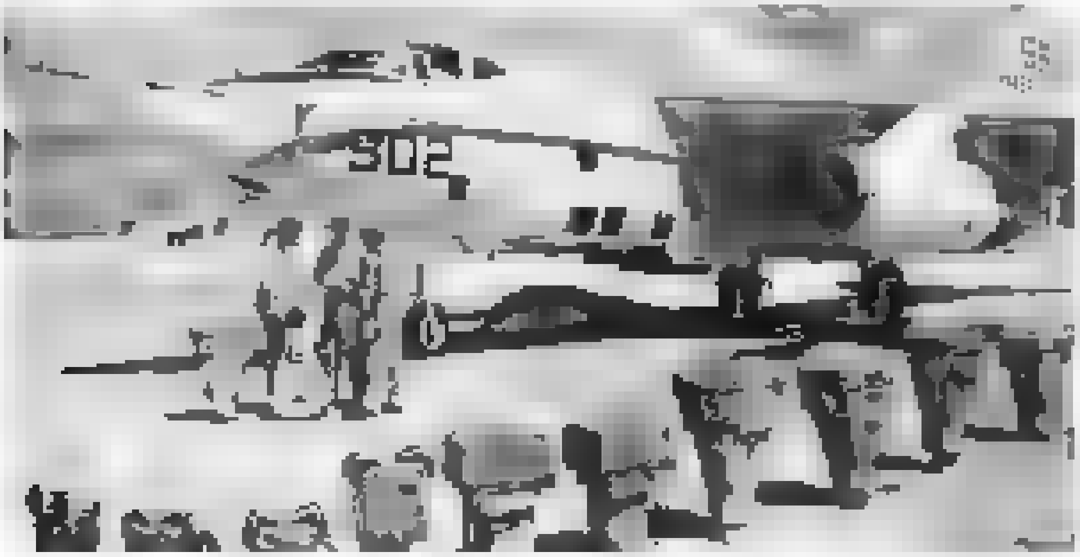


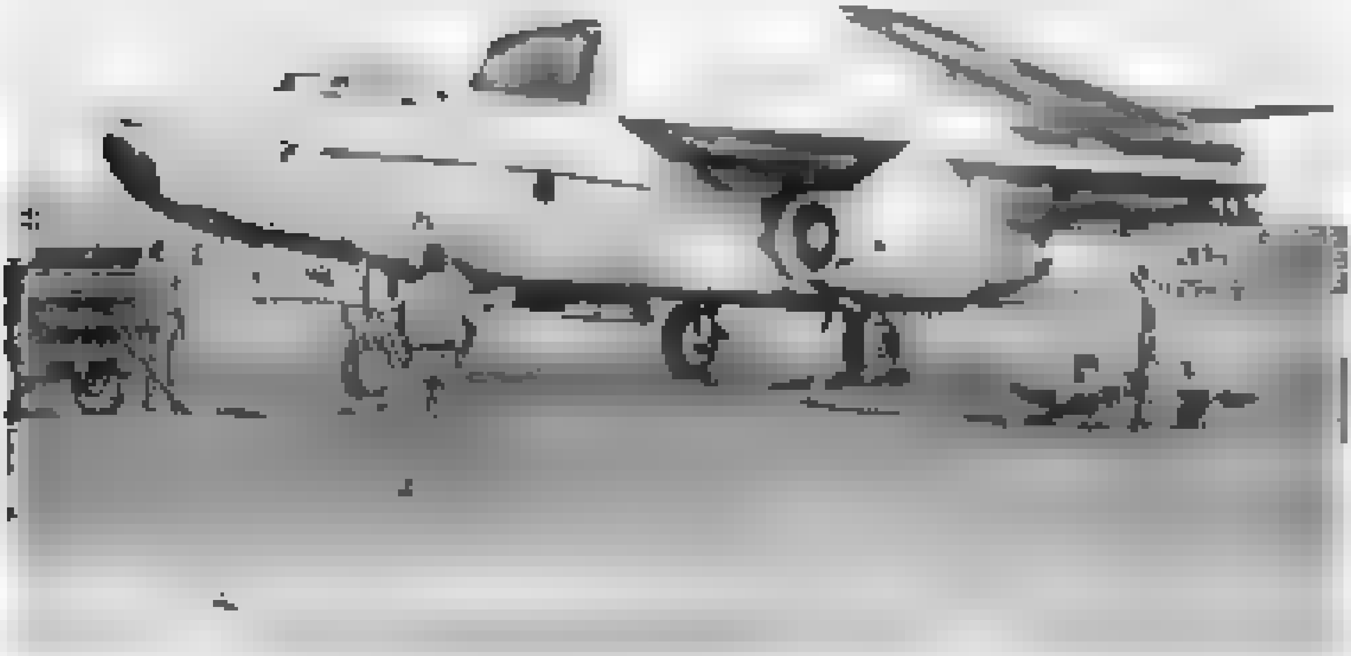
[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Feb 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1967 | [illegible] Jun 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1967 | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| AFEM | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | Jun 196[illegible] |
| | Apr 1969 | Jun 1969 |



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# VAP-62

## Lineage

Established as Photographic Squadron SIXTY TWO (VJ-62) on 10 April 1952.

Redesignated Heavy Photographic Squadron SIXTY TWO (VAP-62) on 1 July 1956.

Disestablished on 15 October 1969. The first squadron to be assigned the VAP-62 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

VJ-62's [illegible] insignia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] insignia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] squadron [illegible].

The [illegible] squadron insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] August 195[illegible]. [illegible] for the insignia were as follows: the background enclosed in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] white border; yellow arrows; black [illegible] with a white outline and a white beam emanating from the [illegible].

The [illegible] squadron insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] October 196[illegible]. The first insignia was [illegible] because it was no longer acceptable under the insignia guidelines.

Nickname: [illegible] 1966–1969.

## Chronology of Significant Events

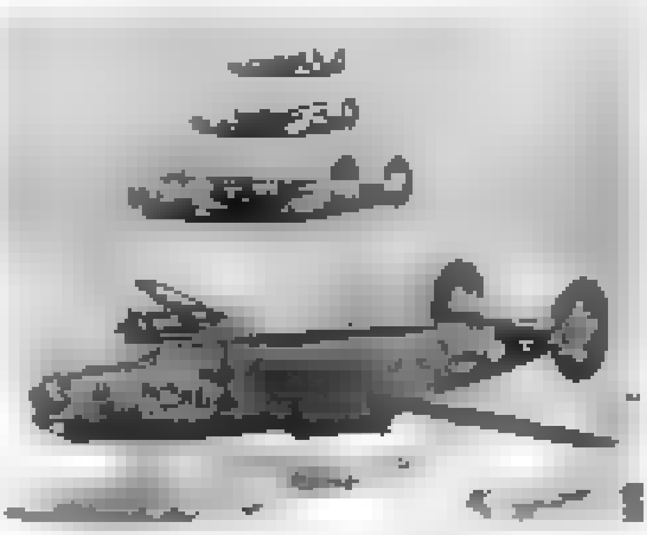
**Apr 1952:** The squadron's mission was aerial photographic intelligence for fleet operations, deploying detachments to the Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean Sea and other areas as required.

**Sep–Dec 1952:** A squadron detachment was deployed to Dhahran Air Force Base in Saudi Arabia.

**29 Jul 1960:** During landing aboard *Saratoga* ([illegible]), the squadron's commanding officer, Commander [illegible] T. Forbes, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] separated and the aircraft plunged off the deck into the sea.

**Oct 1966:** The squadron transferred a detachment of men and personnel to [illegible] to augment that squadron's operations in Vietnam.

**15 Oct 1969:** The squadron was disestablished. During its period of service the squadron conducted mapping and special photographic projects in Saudi Arabia, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Europe, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Central American and Caribbean [illegible]. Much of the [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] numerous places in the United States.



[illegible] squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Jacksonville | 10 Apr 1952 |
| NAS Sanford | 20 Jul 195[illegible] |
| NAS Norfolk | Jan 1959 |
| NAS Jacksonville | Aug 195[illegible] |

[illegible] squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Kenneth [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Klenk | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| CDR E. E. [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Charles [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Charles T. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR John [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR Charles [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR John [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR William E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |

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## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
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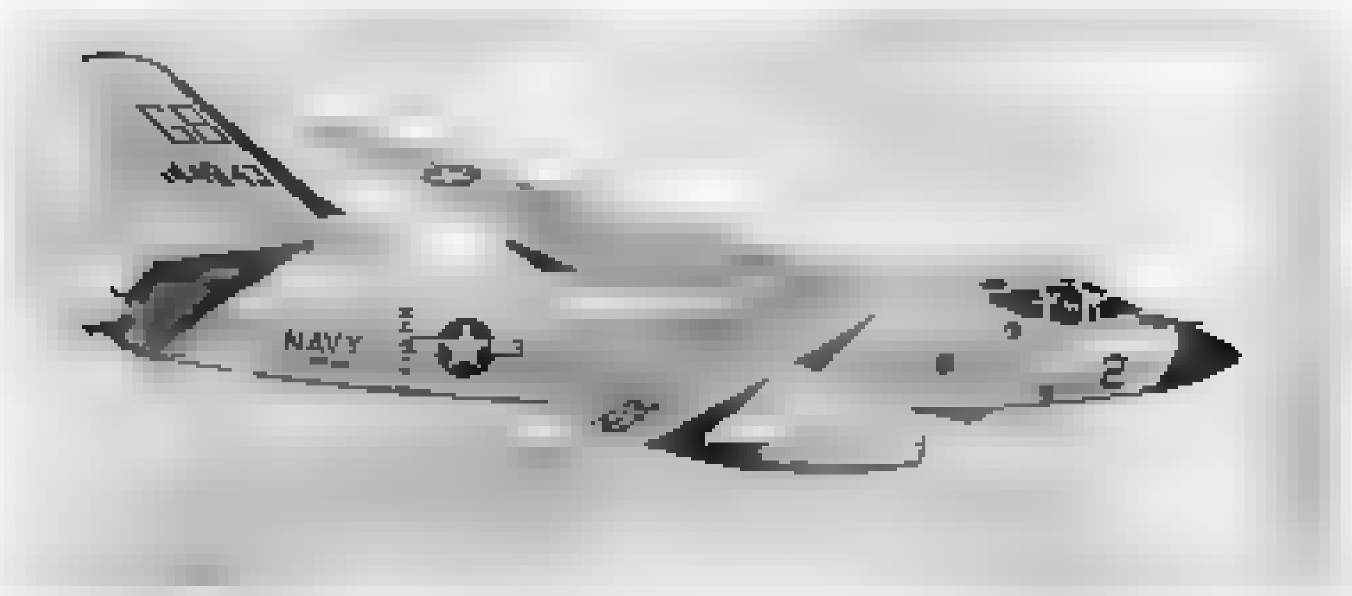

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### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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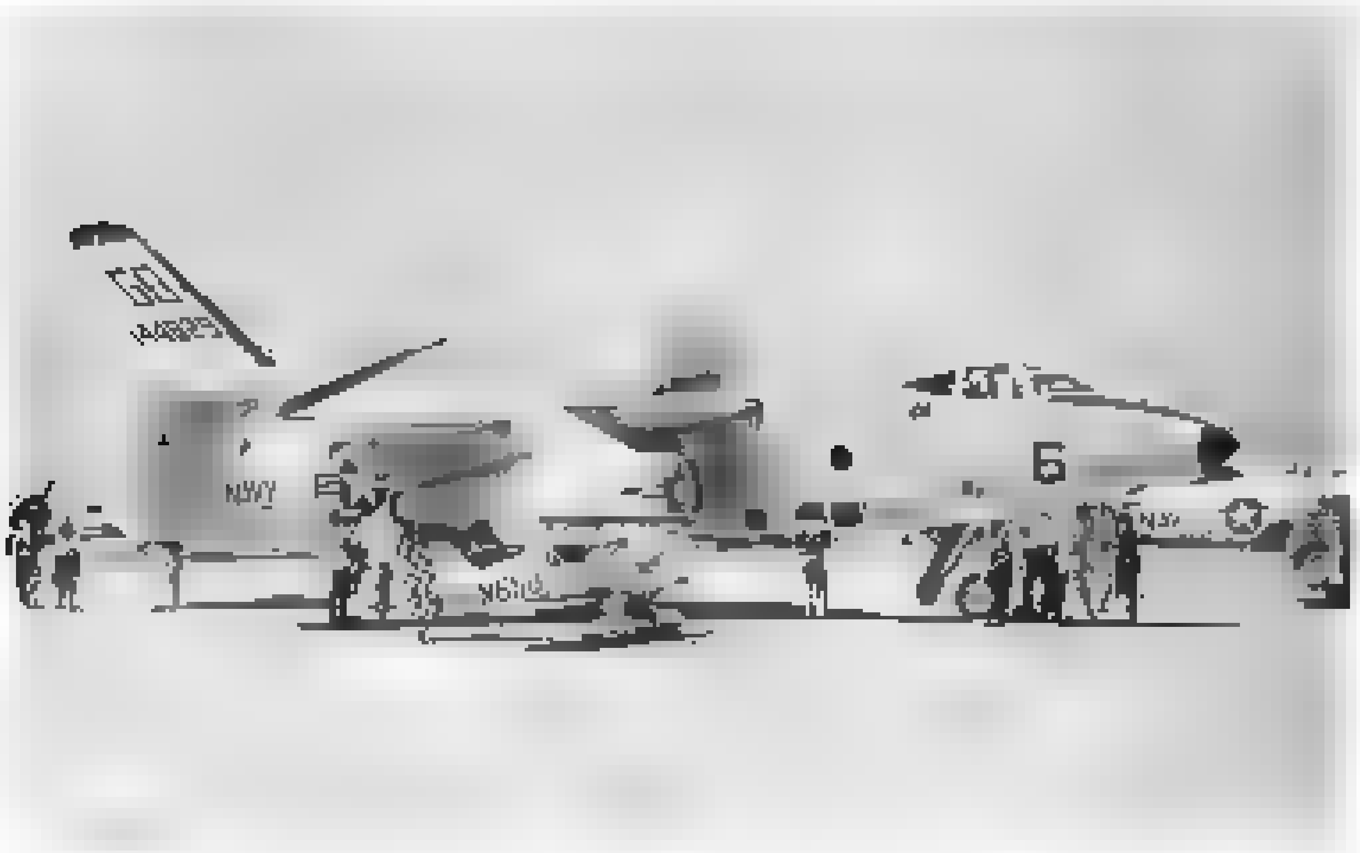

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CHAPTER 7

# Strike Fighter Squadron Histories (VFA)

## VFA-15 to VFA-305

### VFA-15

#### Lineage

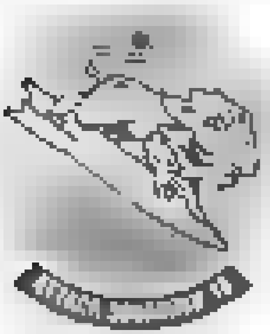
Established as Attack Squadron SIXTY SEVEN (VA-67) on 1 August 1968.

Redesignated Attack Squadron FIFTEEN (VA-15) on 2 June 1969.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron FIFTEEN (VFA-15) on 1 October 1986. The first squadron to be assigned the [illegible] designation, the squadron was the [illegible] to be assigned the VA-15 designation and the first to be assigned the VFA-15 designation.

#### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron does not appear to have made use of the [illegible] insignia. The



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insignia was approved by the CNO for use by the first squadron to be assigned the VA-15 designation. When VA-67 was redesignated VA-15 on 2 June 1969 it adopted the insignia that had been used by the first VA-15, which had been disestablished on 2 June 1969. Colors for the insignia: background with red upper half and blue-green lower half; the insignia and scroll are outlined in white; blue scroll with white lettering; white [illegible] with black markings and yellow streaks emanating from the [illegible] with black markings.

Nickname: Valions, 1969–present.

#### Chronology of Significant Events

**Aug 1968:** The squadron began training [illegible] in preparation for operating the A-7 Corsair II.

**9 Oct 1973:** The squadron provided maintenance assistance for Operation Nickel Grass, the emergency flight of aircraft to Israel, using Franklin D. Roosevelt as an intermediate airfield.

**Oct–Nov 1973:** The squadron, embarked in Roosevelt, operated in the eastern Mediterranean in response to the Arab-Israeli war.

**Jun–Jul 1976:** Following the assassination of the American Ambassador to Lebanon on 16 June, [illegible] operated off the coast of Lebanon and flew support missions during the evacuation of noncombatants from that country.

**Mar 198[illegible]:** [illegible] remained on station in the eastern Mediterranean [illegible] between Israel and Syria following Israeli strikes against Syrian antiaircraft (SAM) sites in Lebanon.

**25 Oct–2 Nov 1983:** In response to a deteriorating political situation [illegible] Americans from the island nation of Grenada, VA-15 aircraft flew combat close air support and reconnaissance in support of Operation Urgent Fury, the landing of U.S. Marines and Army Rangers on the island.

**4 Dec 1983:** In response to Syrian attacks against [illegible] Lebanon, VA-15 aircraft participated in a coordinated strike against Syrian antiaircraft positions in the mountains overlooking the Marine Beirut Peacekeeping Forces. One of the squadron's A-7E aircraft, [illegible] CVW-6 commander, Commander Edward Andrews, was lost when it was hit [illegible]. Commander Andrews ejected and was rescued by a [illegible] fishing boat.

**Dec 1985–Jun 1986:** The squadron returned from a six-month deployment [illegible] Western Pacific. It was assigned to [illegible] Air Force [illegible]. This deployment was designed to test the concept of interoperability between the [illegible] and Air Force, with emphasis on close air support [illegible] and the [illegible] techniques used to defeat [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| [illegible] Field | Aug [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Brown | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Michael [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Hall | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Smith | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
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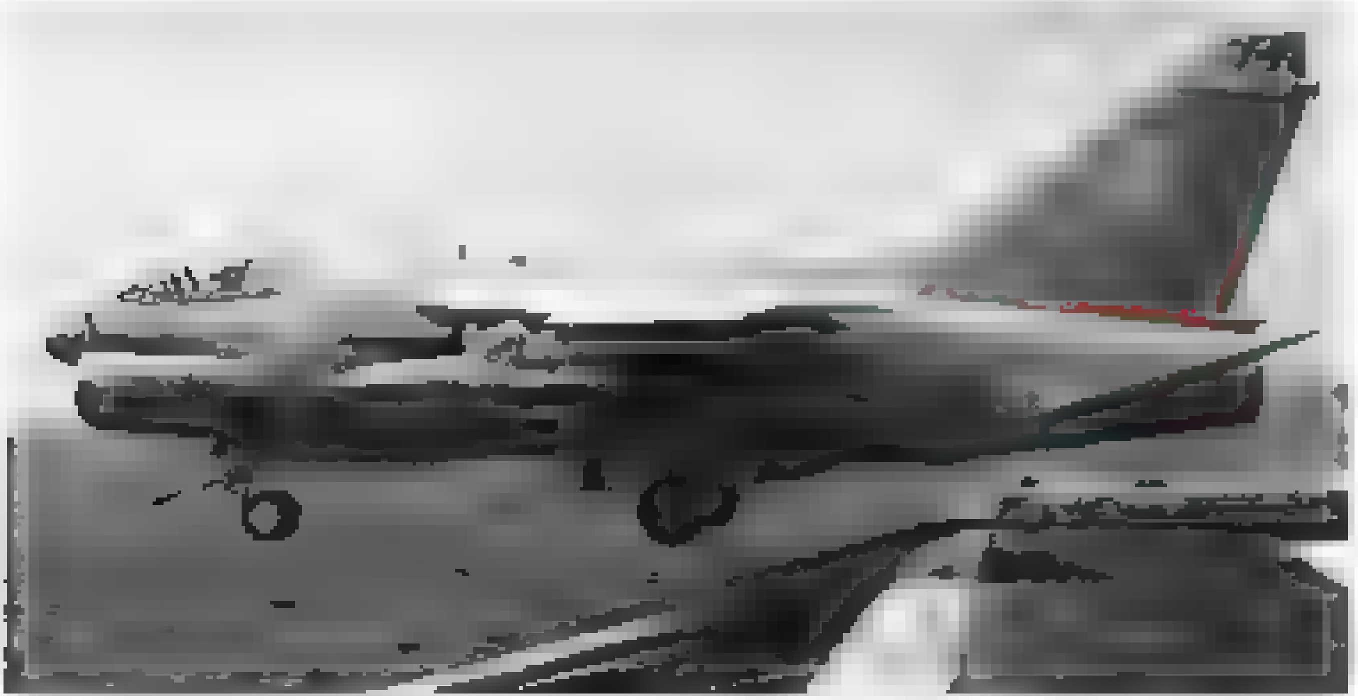

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 Jun 1979 | [illegible] Dec 1979 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | Med |
| [illegible] 1980 | [illegible] 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] Med |
| 10 Jun 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | Med |
| 8 [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] Med [illegible] |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | Med[illegible] |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | [illegible] | | A-6E | WestPac |
| 25 Aug 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 10 [illegible] 198[illegible] | 30 Jun 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 28 [illegible] 199[illegible] | 28 Jun 199[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] Persian Gulf |

The squadron [illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | AE | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | | Jun 19[illegible] |
| CVW-[illegible] | A[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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| | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
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| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| NEM | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| | 20 Aug 19[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
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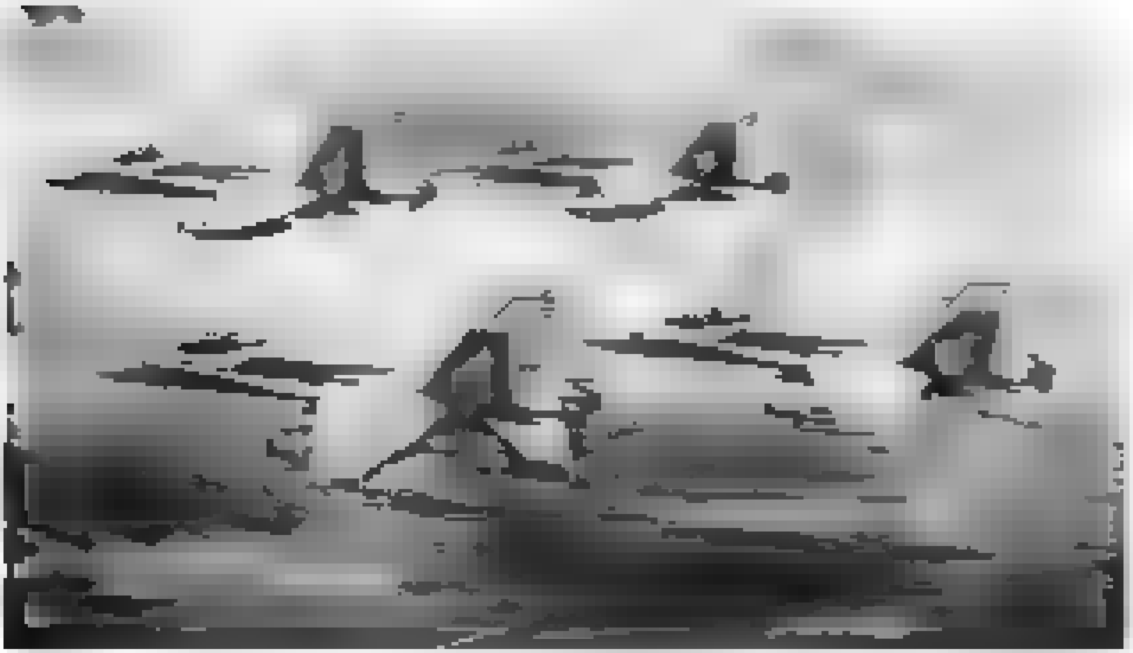

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# VFA-22

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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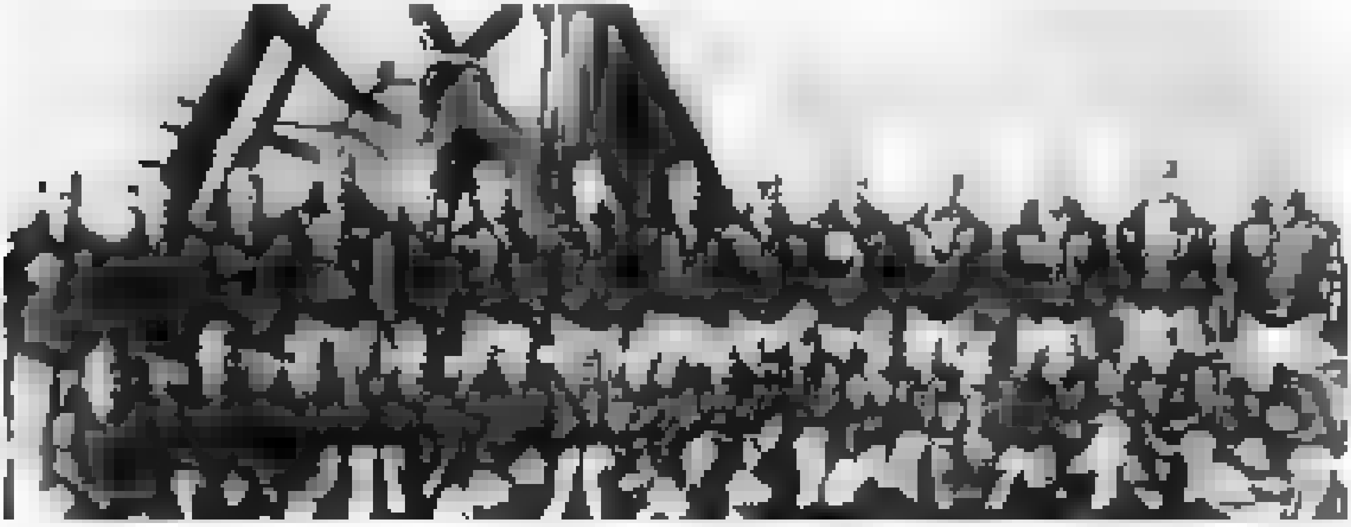

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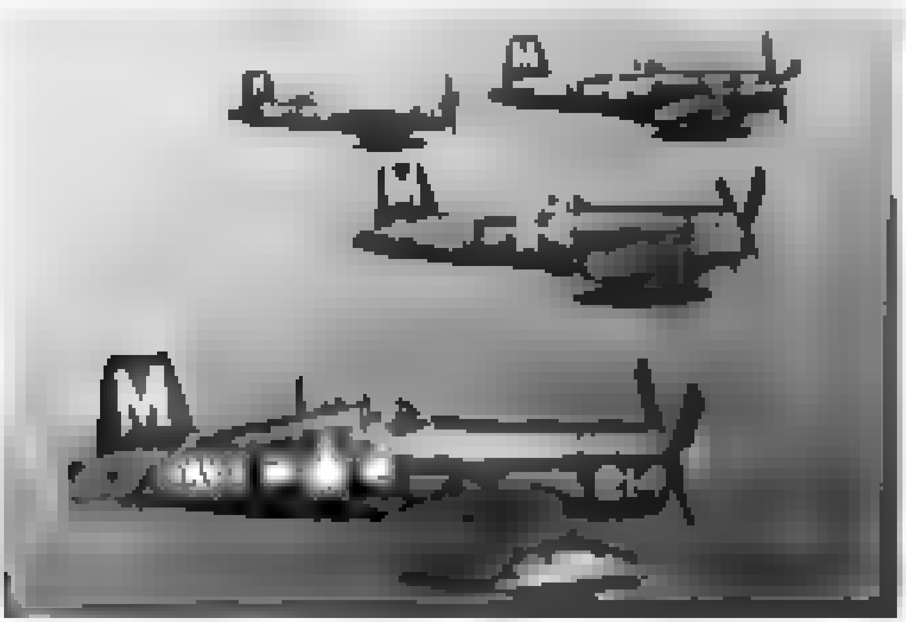
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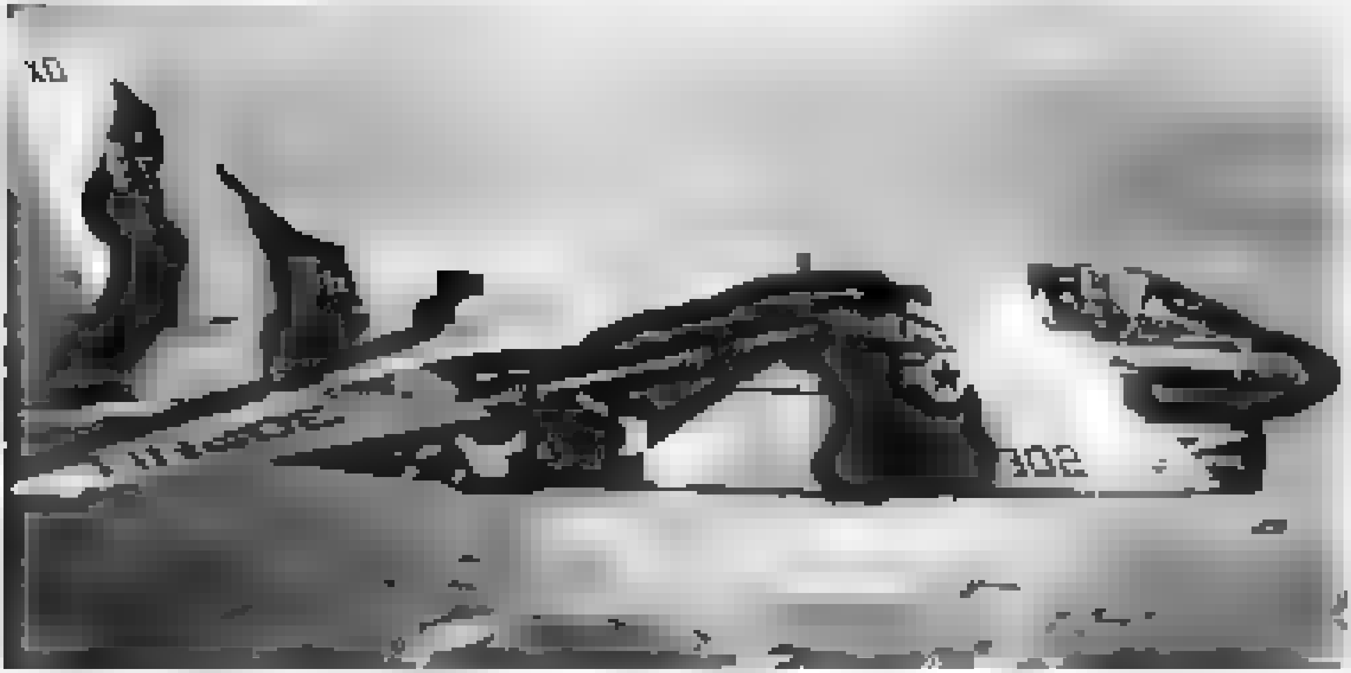

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### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Norfolk | Jul [illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
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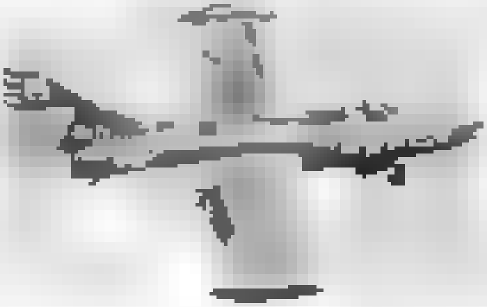

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Malcolm W. Cagle | 27 Jul 1948 |
| [illegible] Hall | [illegible] 1950 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Jack D. Kendall | [illegible] 1960 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR R. S. Smith | [illegible] Sep 1963 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] Thompson | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
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| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F8F-2 | Jul 1948 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1950 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | 30 Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-4F | Jun 1968 |
| [illegible] | Jun 1968 |
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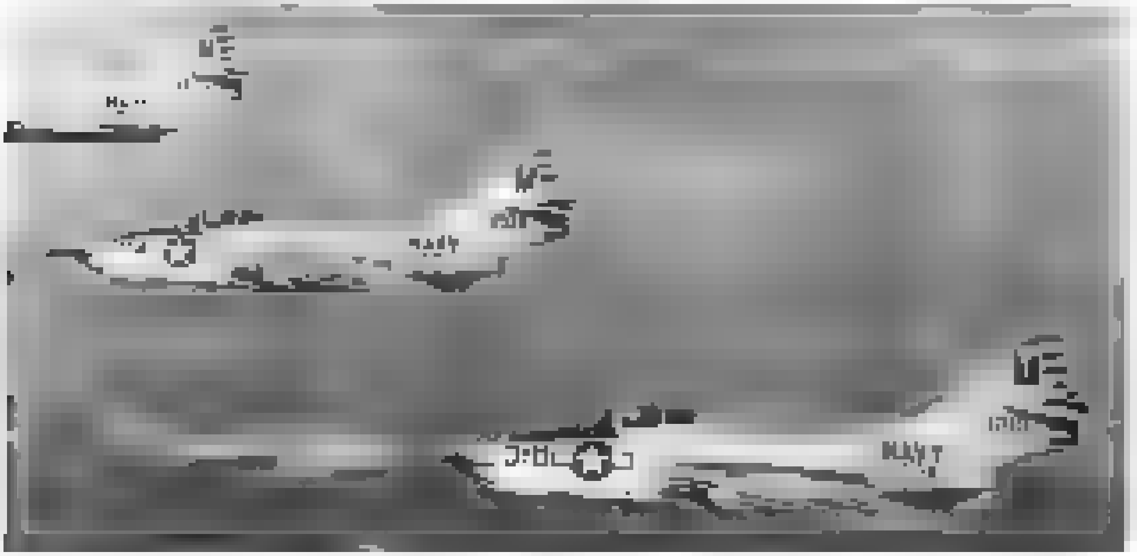

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1949 | 22 [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F8F-2 | [illegible] |
| 24 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F4U | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F4U | WestPac Korea |
| | 09 Jun 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F4U | WestPac Korea |
| 07 Feb [illegible] | 25 Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F4U | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-5 | WestPac |
| [illegible] | 21 Jun 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-6 | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-8 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] | [illegible] | FJ-4B | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D-2 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A4D-2N | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4C | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4C | WestPac Vietnam |
| 29 Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4C | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4C | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4F | WestPac Vietnam |
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| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | [illegible] WestPac IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac IO [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun 1986 | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac IO<br>[illegible] Sea |
| 25 [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | [illegible] |
| 05 Jun 1988 | 05 Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac IO [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] 1990 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | World Cruise |

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## Air Wing Assignment

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | 15 Jul 1950 | |
| [illegible] 19 | [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | 08 Jun 197[illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 02 Jun 197[illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 15 Jun 1982 | |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1951 | [illegible] 1953 |
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| [illegible] | 26 [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | 09 Apr 1965 | [illegible] May 1965 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] Jun 1965 |

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## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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| | Jul 1969 | |
| | Sep 1969 | |
| | Sep 1969 | [illegible] Sep 1969 |
| | 8 Apr 1975 | [illegible] 1975 |
| | [illegible] 1975 | |
| | [illegible] 1980 | |
| | Jun 1980 | [illegible] 1980 |
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| | [illegible] 1981 | |
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| | [illegible] Apr 1965 | [illegible] 1965 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1966 | Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 1975 | [illegible] 1975 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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| | [illegible] 1975 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 | |
| | [illegible] 1965 | |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
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# VFA-25

## Lineage

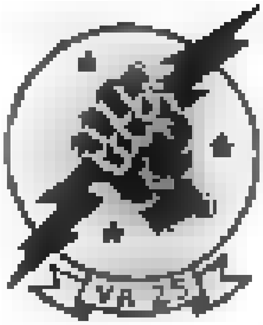
Established as Torpedo Squadron SEVENTEEN (VT-17) on 1 January 1943.

Redesignated Attack Squadron SIX B (VA-6B) on [illegible] 1946.

Redesignated Attack Squadron SIXTY FIVE (VA-65) on 27 July 1948.

Redesignated Attack Squadron TWENTY FIVE (VA-25) on 1 July 1959.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron TWENTY FIVE (VFA-25) on 1 July 1983. The third squadron to be assigned the VFA-25 designation.



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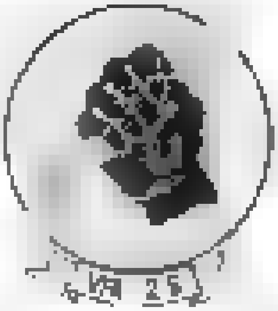

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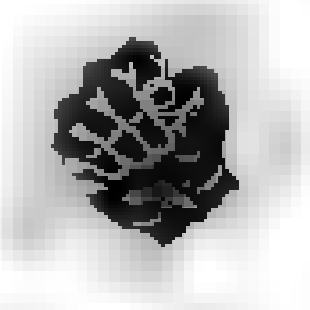
## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on 28 September [illegible] on the [illegible] fist [illegible] lightning bolt [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] torpedo [illegible] markings.

The [illegible] lightning bolt insignia was approved [illegible] June [illegible] insignia [illegible] black [illegible] in the insignia. The [illegible] insignia [illegible] with the designation [illegible] lettering [illegible] When the squadron was redesignated VFA-25 it continued to use the fist lightning bolt insignia but dropped the lower scroll.



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Nickname: Fist of the Fleet [illegible] present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

10 Sep–Oct 1943: The squadron was embarked on Hornet [illegible] enroute from Norfolk to [illegible] via the Panama Canal [illegible]

[illegible] Nov 1943: The squadron flew its [illegible] on [illegible] targets on Rabaul.

Nov 1943–Feb 1944: The squadron flew numerous [illegible] strikes against [illegible] Bougainville [illegible] and [illegible]

2 Feb 1944: [illegible] the squadron's commanding officer, Lieutenant Commander [illegible] Whitaker, was lost in a midair collision.

Feb 1945: The squadron flew numerous [illegible] against [illegible] Iwo Jima [illegible] the [illegible]

19 Mar 1945: [illegible] against the Japanese Fleet in the Kure Harbor [illegible] of the [illegible] the [illegible] squadron personnel were awarded the [illegible] Lieutenant Commander [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] Ensign [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] during the attack.

Mar 1945: [illegible] Okinawa [illegible]

[illegible] Apr 1945: [illegible] from the [illegible] Japanese [illegible] Squadron [illegible] torpedo hits on the [illegible] and sank one of the destroyers [illegible] the following squadron personnel were awarded the [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] Ensign [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] Ensign [illegible] were awarded the [illegible]

Apr 1945: [illegible]

East China Sea

ducting cold weather exercises

[illegible]

ayed in its first combat

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27 January, the squadron

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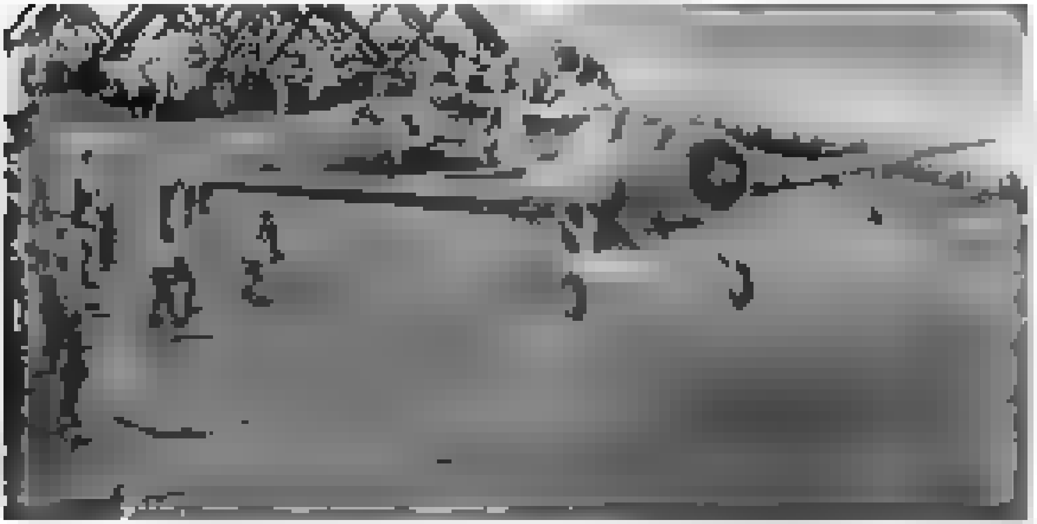

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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
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| NAS Kaneohe | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| NAB [illegible] | 28 Dec 1944 |
| NAS Alameda | 08 Jul 1945 |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Brunswick | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Norfolk | Aug 194[illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1949 |
| NAS Alameda | 15 Aug 1950 |
| NAF [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Frank M. Whitaker | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] 194[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Richard W. Phillips | Feb 1950 |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1952 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] M. Thompson | 28 Oct 1952 |
| [illegible] Kapp | [illegible] |
| CDR John R. [illegible] II | Jul 1955 |
| CDR William [illegible] Bates | [illegible] |
| CDR Edward V. [illegible] Jr. | 5 May 1958 |
| CDR John W. Fairbanks | 03 Apr 1959 |
| CDR Warren [illegible] | [illegible] 1960 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] R. Bradford | 03 Aug 1961 |
| CDR John A. Green | 1 Aug 1962 |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR Ralph E. Smith | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Smith | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1970 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Edwin A. Greathouse | 09 May 1972 |
| CDR Paul M. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Peter [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1975 |
| CDR James B. [illegible] | [illegible] 1976 |
| CDR Warren [illegible] | [illegible] 1978 |
| CDR [illegible] Wright | [illegible] |
| CDR John [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1980 |
| CDR Robert W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb 198[illegible] |
| CDR Anthony [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

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# VFA-27

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWENTY SEVEN (VA-27) on 1 September 1967.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron TWENTY SEVEN (VFA-27) on [illegible] 19[illegible]. The [illegible] squadron to be assigned the [illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by the CNO on [illegible] March 1968. [illegible] for the globe and mace

The squadron's first insignia [illegible]

[illegible]

insignia are as follows: sky blue background with a white cross outlined in blue; light blue globe outlined in [illegible] white [illegible] with [illegible] outlined in white. White scroll outlined in black with black lettering.

Nickname: Royal Maces, 1968–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**28 Jul 1968:** The squadron flew its first combat strike [illegible] against targets in the [illegible] of North Vietnam.

**[illegible] Feb–[illegible] Mar 197[illegible]:** [illegible] [illegible] operations [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] following [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**Dec 197[illegible]:** With the outbreak of war between India and Pakistan [illegible] East Pakistan (later Bangladesh) [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Indian Ocean [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for the evacuation of [illegible] [illegible] from East Pakistan.

**[illegible] 197[illegible]:** [illegible] participated in [illegible] operations [illegible] strikes against targets in North Vietnam [illegible] the flow of supplies [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**[illegible] 197[illegible]:** Participated in [illegible] II operations [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**Feb 1975:** [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**Apr 1975:** Participated in Operation Frequent Wind [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from Saigon [illegible] the [illegible].

**Feb 1977:** [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] the evacuation of [illegible].

**[illegible] 1979:** [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of South Korea [illegible] [illegible] President Park [illegible].

**Apr 1980:** The squadron participated in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**May 1980:** Following [illegible] in South Korea [illegible] [illegible] operated [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**Aug 198[illegible]:** [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] operated [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**Aug 1986:** The squadron participated in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the Bering Sea since the end of World War II.

## Home Port Assignments

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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | Sep 19[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

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|---|---|
| | [illegible] |
| CDR George T. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Fell | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas W. [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1970 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Robinson | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] A. Edney | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James A. [illegible] | 05 Mar 1975 |
| CDR Dale A. [illegible] | 28 May 1976 |
| CDR Richard E. [illegible] | 06 Aug 1977 |
| CDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | 30 Nov 1978 |
| CDR James S. [illegible] | 11 May 1980 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| CDR Joseph E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Joseph [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

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|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-7[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| A-7E | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 Jan 1968 | [illegible] Jan 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac-Vietnam |
| [illegible] Aug 1969 | 28 Jan 1970 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac-Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 197[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac<br>Vietnam-IO |
| [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 197[illegible] | [illegible] 1975 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] | 28 Jan 197[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] Apr 197[illegible] | [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| 20 Aug 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 198[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | [illegible] |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] 1985 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] Aug 198[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 198[illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |
| [illegible] Sep 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | [illegible]-WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 199[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 199[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-4E | WestPac-IO |

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | NK | [illegible] 1968 |
| [illegible] | NL | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| AFEM | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] Apr 1975 | [illegible] 1975 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1969 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr 1975 | [illegible] 1975 |
| | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1980 | [illegible] 1980 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1968 | [illegible] Aug 1968 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] Sep 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] 1969 |
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| | [illegible] Feb 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1975 | [illegible] 1975 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] |

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# VFA-37

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THIRTY SEVEN (VA-37) on 1 July 1967.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron THIRTY SEVEN (VFA-37) on 28 November 1990, the first squadron to be assigned the VFA-37 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 26 March 1968. A design incorporating a Bull was selected to embody the spirit, pride and character of the unit. The insignia [illegible] a light blue circular background [illegible] a white circle [illegible] in black [illegible] with a black mane, white horns tipped with red and the nostrils emitting clouds of white steam. White teeth and a red tongue and a dark blue scroll outlined in black with lettering in white.

Nickname: Bulls, 1968–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Jul–Nov 1967: Squadron personnel were trained in the A-7 [illegible].

Sep 1970: Fighting erupted between Palestinian guerrillas and the Jordanian army. As a result of the Palestinian hijacking of [illegible] airliners, Saratoga (CV 60), with its embarked air wing, including VA-37, was directed to operate in the eastern Mediterranean in response to the crisis. The conflict intensified when Syria invaded Jordan. [illegible] VA-37 remained on station until the latter part of September when the Jordanian Army successfully repulsed the Syrians and the crisis was defused.

9 Sep 1970: VA-37 participated in an air power demonstration for President Nixon during his visit to Saratoga while she was deployed in the Med.

Jun–Oct 1971: VA-37 participated in the test and evaluation of the CV concept during Saratoga's deployment to the North Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea. The CV concept involved combining the capabilities of the attack and antisubmarine carriers [illegible] into a single ship.

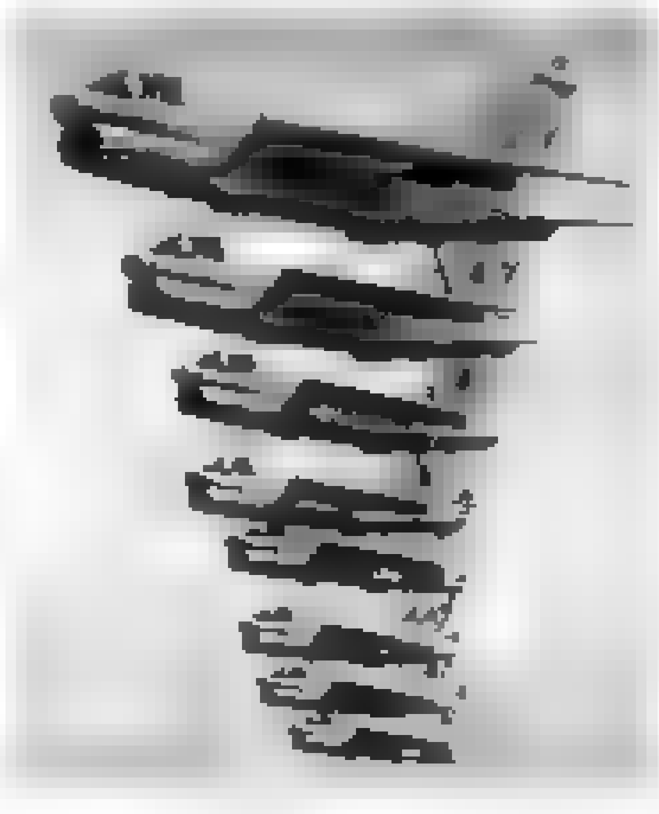
Aug 1972: While on a combat mission near the island of Hon Nieu off the coast of North Vietnam a squadron A-7 [illegible]. This was the first time an A-7 [illegible].

Jun 1982: John F. Kennedy, with VA-37 embarked, took station off the coast of Lebanon after Israel invaded the country.

Jun 1983: The primary mission of the squadron was changed [illegible] for deployment to [illegible] as part of the Marine Corps Unit Deployment Program. VA-37 [illegible] was scheduled [illegible] Marine Corps [illegible]. Navy squadrons had been selected for this program because the A-7 [illegible] similar in size and makeup [illegible] Marine Corps A-4 Skyhawk squadron. The deployment of [illegible] attack squadrons was designed to test the interoperability of the Marine Corps and Navy.

Dec 1983: VA-37 deployed to [illegible]. VA-105 was the first Navy squadron to participate in the Marine Corps Unit Deployment Program and it was also the first time a Navy squadron came under the operational control of the Marine Corps since World War II.

Mar 1985: While deployed at [illegible], the squadron was detached [illegible] to participate in exercise Team Spirit 85. This was the first time a Navy carrier-based squadron had deployed to field conditions since World War II.



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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR James A. Burdett | 03 Jul 1967 |
| CDR J. B. Tappan | 08 Nov 1968 |
| CDR R. E. [illegible] | Sep 1969 |
| CDR C. B. Hawkins Jr. | 0[illegible] Jul 1970 |
| CDR Thomas E. [illegible] III | 2[illegible] [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] P. Watson | 06 Jun 1972 |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James W. [illegible] | 21 Mar 1974 |
| CDR George R. [illegible] Jr. | 10 Jul 1975 |
| CDR Richard W. [illegible] | 15 Oct 1976 |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | 12 Jan 1978 |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1979 |
| CDR W. B. Christie | 05 Jul 1980 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] III | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Jeffrey [illegible] | 09 Dec 1985 |
| CDR James M. O'Hara | 07 Jul 1987 |
| CDR L. Scott [illegible] | 14 Dec 1988 |
| CDR Carroll L. White | 25 Jun 1990 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-7A | Aug 1967 |
| A-7E | 25 Apr 1973 |
| F/A-18A | 15 Dec 1990 |

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7A | [illegible] Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7A | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7A | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7A | [illegible] WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 60 | A-7E | Med |
| 06 Jan 1976 | 28 Jul 1976 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | 23 Dec 1977 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] 1980 | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 60 | A-7E | Med |
| 0[illegible] Jan 1982 | [illegible] Jul 1982 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | A-7E | [illegible] |
| 02 Jun 1986 | 10 Nov 1986 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 60 | A-7E | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] 1988 | [illegible] | [illegible] 60 | A-7E | Med [illegible] |
| [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 60 | A-7E | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| CVW-3 | AC | Jun 1970 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments—Continued

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AE | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |

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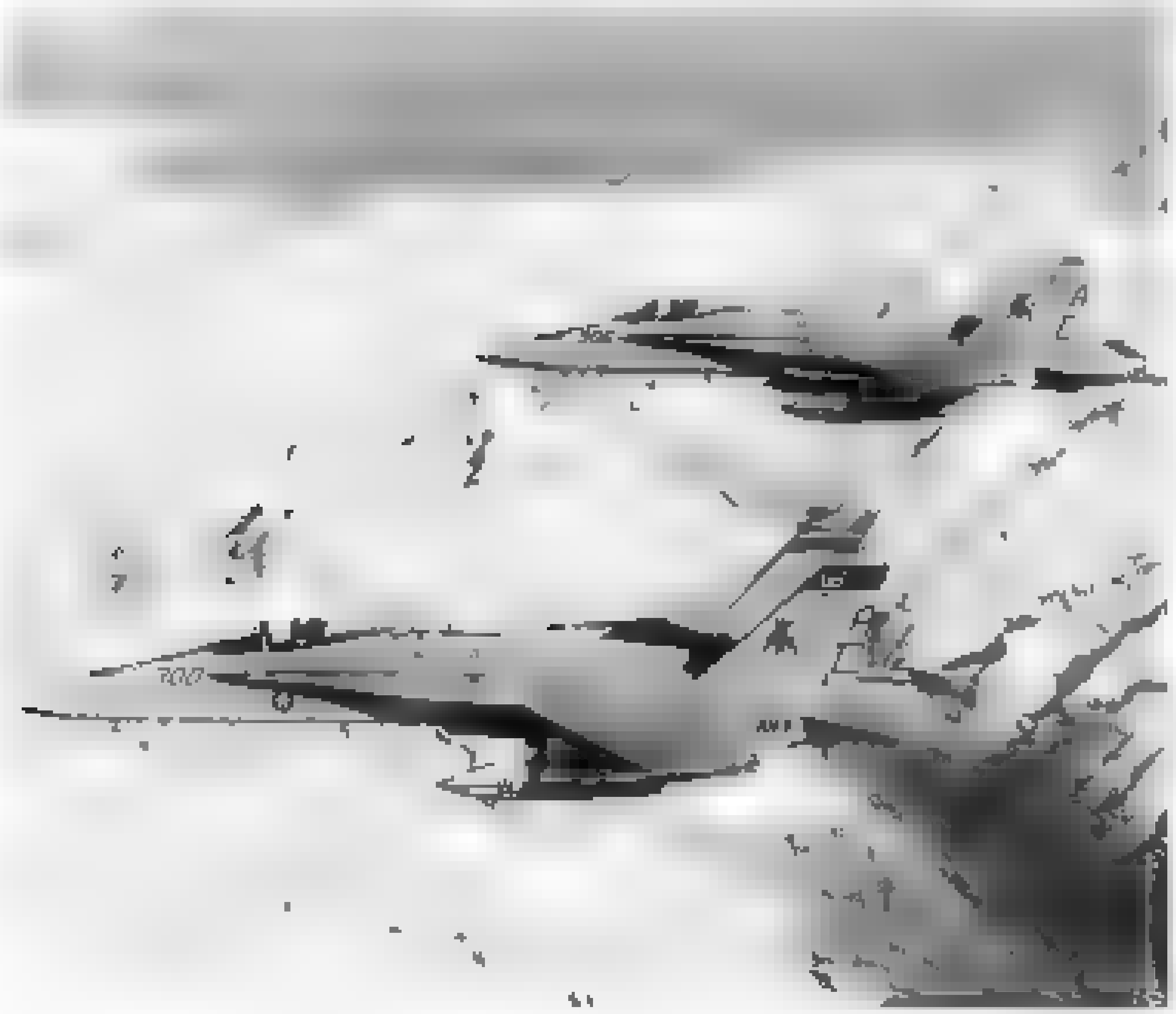
[illegible] was assigned to MAG-12 [illegible] during [illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1972 |
| | 11 Jan 1969 | [illegible] Sep 1969 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1970 | 8 Oct 1970 |
| | 11 Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | 10 Jan [illegible] | 05 Mar [illegible] |
| | 11 [illegible] 1970 | 5 [illegible] 1969 |
| | 11 Jan 1969 | 03 Apr 1969 |
| [illegible] | 5 Jan 1969 | [illegible] Aug 1969 |
| | 08 Mar [illegible] | 30 Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1969 | [illegible] Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | 16 Apr 1969 |
| | 7 Apr 1969 | 11 Mar 1969 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 28 Jun 1969 | [illegible] Jul 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1969 | 16 Aug 1969 |
| | 10 Mar 1972 | 1[illegible] Mar 1972 |
| | [illegible] Mar 1972 | 22 Jun 1972 |
| | 30 Jun 1972 | 10 Jul 1972 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1972 | 4 Aug 1972 |
| | 6 Sep 1972 | [illegible] Sep 1972 |
| | 8 Sep 1972 | 2 Oct 1972 |
| | [illegible] 1972 | 20 Oct 1972 |
| | 05 Nov 1972 | 8 Dec 1972 |
| | 28 Dec 1972 | [illegible] Dec 1972 |



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# VFA-81

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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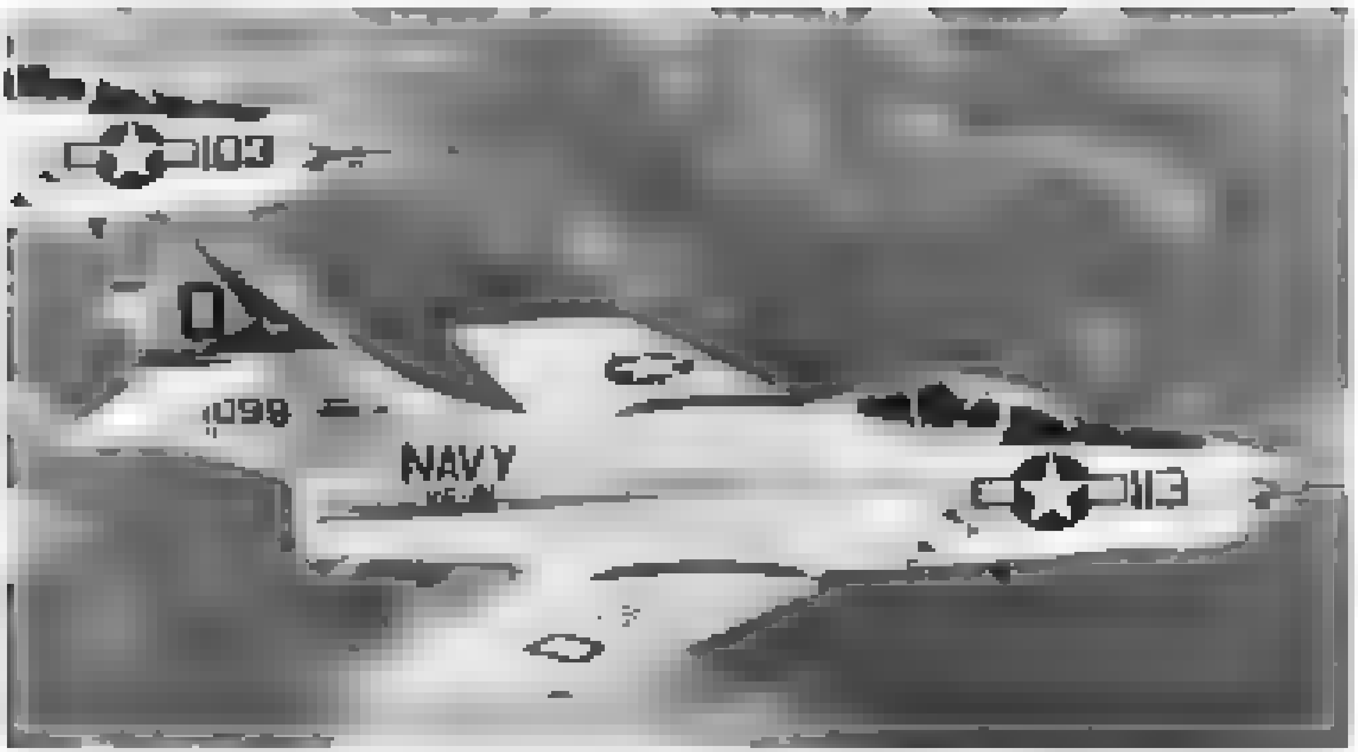

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### Home Port Assignment

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Oceana | [illegible] Jun 1955 |
| [illegible] Field | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1955 |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Aug 1958 |
| LCDR Lawrence [illegible], Jr. | [illegible] 1958 |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| LCDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1960 |
| LCDR John [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Edward [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1960 |
| LCDR [illegible] Cunningham | Sep [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Westphal | [illegible] 1968 |
| LCDR John [illegible] | Jun [illegible] |
| LCDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1970 |
| LCDR Thomas E. Watson, Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Kenneth [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| LCDR Ralph E. [illegible] | Feb 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] 1975 |

### Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Richard [illegible] III | Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Killian | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR George [illegible] Welch, Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | Sep 19[illegible] |
| CDR Kenneth [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible], Jr. | Feb 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Anderson | Aug 19[illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F9F-8 | Aug 19[illegible] |
| F9F-8B | [illegible] 1956 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| A-4E | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| A-4L | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] E | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

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[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-8/8B | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F9F-8 | [illegible] |
| 28 Jan 1960 | [illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] | 59 | A4D-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] Aug 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] 59 | A4D-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1962 | [illegible] Mar 1963 | [illegible] | 59 | A4D-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 1965 | CVW-8 | [illegible] 59 | A-4E | Med |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVW-8 | 59 | A-4E | Med |
| 29 Sep [illegible] | [illegible] May [illegible] | CVW-8 | [illegible] 48 | A-4E | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | CVW-8 | 48 | A-4C | Med |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-8 | [illegible] | A-4C | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-8 | 59 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | CVW-8 | 59 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-8 | 59 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-17 | 59 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Oct 1978 | CVW-17 | 59 | A-7E | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1980 | CVW-17 | 59 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-17 | 59 | A-7E | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-17 | 59 | A-7E | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Oct [illegible] | CVW-17 | 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVW-17 | 60 | A-7E | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-17 | 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | 28 Jan [illegible] | CVW-17 | 60 | F/A-18C | Med/Red Sea |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | 11 Jul 1955 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 1956 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 1956 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1958 |
| [illegible] | AJ | [illegible] Aug 1958 |
| [illegible] | AB | [illegible] Aug 1958 |
| COMFAIRJACKSON | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jan 1970 |
| [illegible] | | Jun 1970 |
| [illegible] | AA | [illegible] Aug 1970 |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1968 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | 11 Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| | 11 Jan [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1980 | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | 24 Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | 20 Jun 1980 | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] 1980 | [illegible] |
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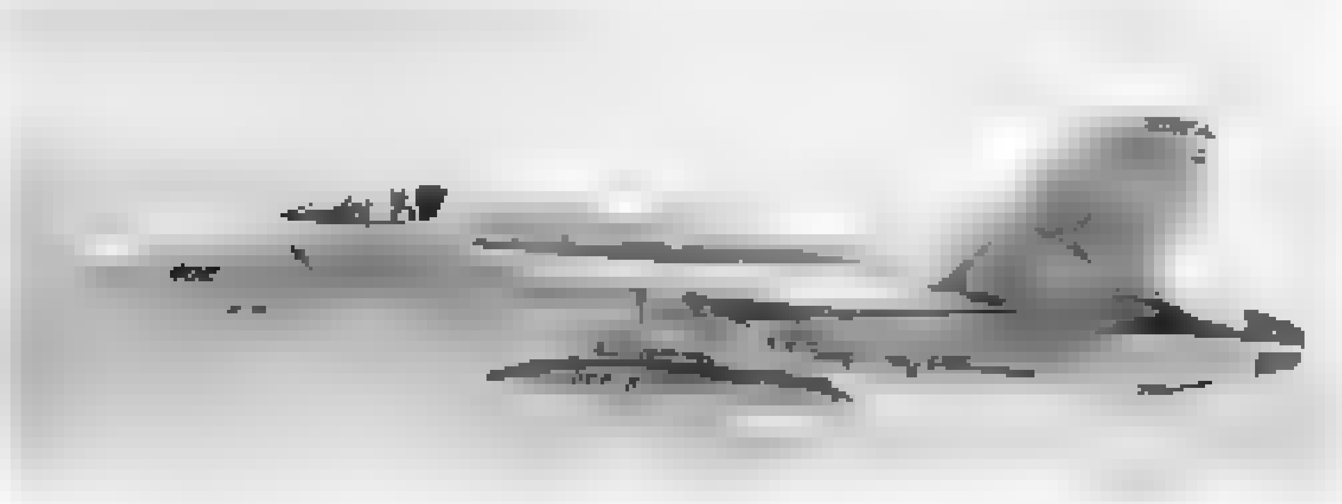

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# VFA-82

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron EIGHTY TWO (VA-82) on [illegible] 19[illegible].

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron EIGHTY TWO (VFA-82) on [illegible] July 1987. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-82 and VFA-82 designations.

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible] adopted [illegible] [illegible] for the insignia are [illegible] background outlined in blue [illegible] outlined in black [illegible] with white and black markings [illegible] outlined in black, and a blue scroll with white lettering.

Nickname: Marauders, [illegible]–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Mar 1968: The squadron participated in its first combat operations, flying strikes [illegible].

[illegible] 1972: The squadron participated in Operation Linebacker [illegible] strikes against [illegible] North Vietnam.

Dec 1972: The squadron participated in Linebacker II operations, a more intensified version of Linebacker operations.

Jan 1980: After the [illegible] Embassy [illegible] hostage in Teheran, Iran, VA-82 departed [illegible] embarked on [illegible] the Indian Ocean [illegible] the longest number of consecutive days at sea in the squadron [illegible].

[illegible] 1981: Following the assassination of President [illegible] of Egypt, VA-82, embarked on [illegible], was ordered to operate off the coast of Egypt.

Jun 1985: [illegible] VA-82, embarked [illegible], was ordered to [illegible] off Lebanon due to the hijacking of TWA flight [illegible]. The [illegible] and squadron remained on station until the release of the hostages in the latter part of July.

Sep 1989: Squadron aircraft flew support missions during the evacuation of the American Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon.

[illegible] Feb–Apr 1991: VFA-82 [illegible] embarked in [illegible] during its transfer from the west coast to the east coast via the Strait of Magellan.

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

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|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] A. Barrett | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] P. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR E. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 199[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Pike | [illegible] Feb 199[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep 199[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-7A | [illegible] |
| A-7E | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| A-7[illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| A-7E | [illegible] |
| F/A-[illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | North Atlantic |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible]/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | North Atlantic |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/Red Sea/Persian Gulf |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | 30 Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | 28 Jan [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
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| | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | 19 Jan [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| | Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| | [illegible] June [illegible] | 28 Aug [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | 25 Feb [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | 20 Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | 4 Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
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# VFA-83

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] CVA [illegible] for deploy- [illegible]

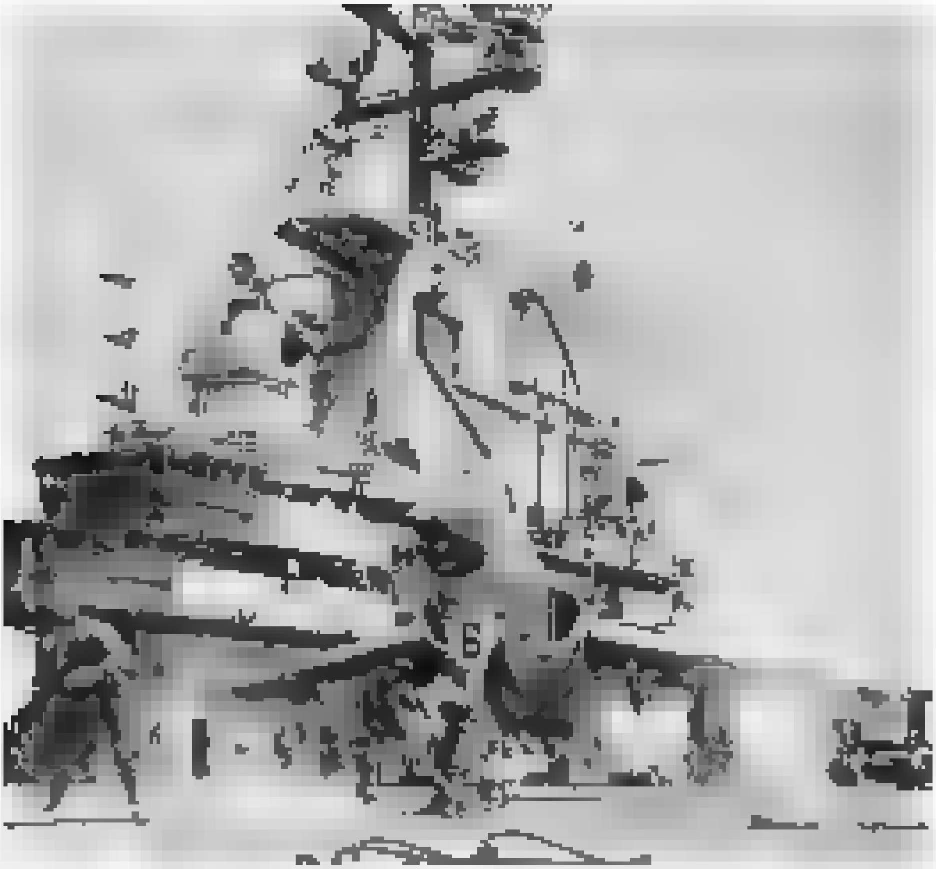
[illegible]

Sep 1969: *John F. Kennedy* (CVA [illegible]

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Jacksonville | [illegible] Feb 1955 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | 5 Jun 1966 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |



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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR W. H. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR H. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James [illegible] III | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR James [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR H. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Appellof | Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 28 Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR W. E. [illegible] | 28 Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 28 Sep [illegible] |
| CDR Michael W. [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Nov [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | Feb [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Apr 1955 | [illegible] 1955 | CVG-8 | CVA 11 | F9F | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1956 | 11 Sep 1956 | CVG-8 | CVA 11 | F7U-3M | Med |
| 12 Feb 1958 | [illegible] Nov 1958 | ATG-201 | CVA 9 | A4D-2 | Med/IO/WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1960 | [illegible] Aug 1960 | CVG-8 | CVA 11 | A4D-2 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] Aug 1961 | CVG-8 | CVA 11 | A4D-2N | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1962 | [illegible] Mar 1963 | CVG-8 | CVA 11 | A-4C | Med |
| [illegible] Jul 1964 | [illegible] Mar 1965 | CVW-8 | CVA 11 | A-4E | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1965 | [illegible] Apr 1966 | CVW-8 | CVA 11 | A-4E | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1966 | [illegible] Mar 1967 | CVW-8 | CVA 42 | A-4E | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1967 | [illegible] Aug 1968 | CVW-8 | CVA 42 | A-4C | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1969 | [illegible] Jan 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA [illegible] | A-4C | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1971 | [illegible] Jan 1972 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA 11 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1972 | [illegible] Jun 1973 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA 11 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1974 | [illegible] Sep 1974 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA 11 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1976 | [illegible] Sep 1976 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 11 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1977 | [illegible] 1977 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 11 | A-7E | Med/North Atl |
| [illegible] Nov 1977 | [illegible] Mar 1978 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 11 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 11 | A-7E | Med/North Atl |
| [illegible] Jun 1982 | [illegible] Nov 1982 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 11 | A-7E | Med/IO |
| [illegible] Apr 1984 | [illegible] 1984 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1985 | [illegible] Apr 1986 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 60 | A-7E | Med/IO |
| [illegible] Jun 1987 | [illegible] Nov 1987 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 60 | A-7E | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1990 | [illegible] Mar 1991 | CVW-[illegible] | CV 60 | F/A-18C | Med/Red Sea |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVG-8 | E | [illegible] Apr 1955 |
| ATG-201 | AD | [illegible] 1957 |
| CVG-8/CVW-8 | AJ | [illegible] Nov 1958 |
| CVW-[illegible] | AJ | 25 Aug 1966 |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments—Continued

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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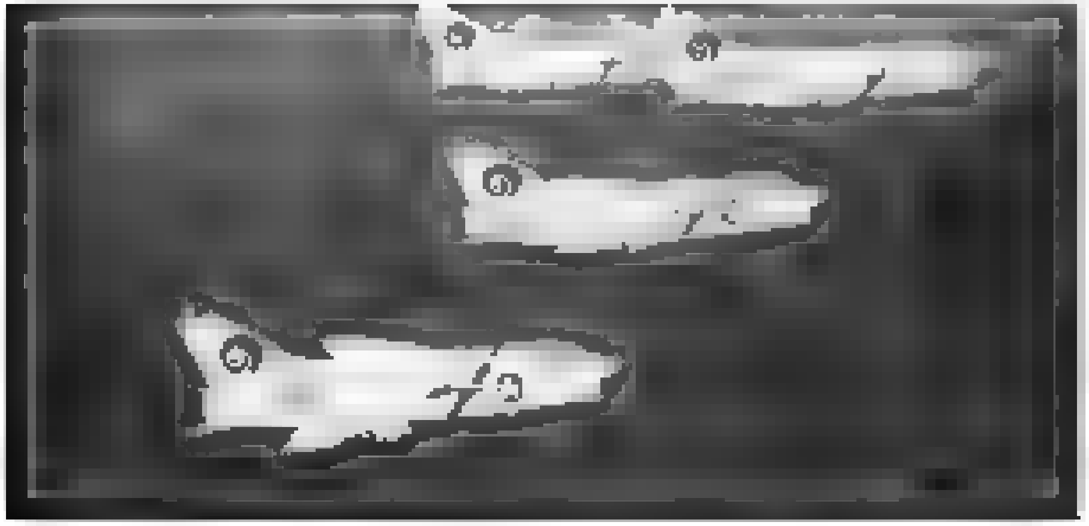

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## Unit Awards Received

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| NAVE | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
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| AFEM | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| | [illegible] June [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

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| | [illegible] | 28 Feb [illegible] |
| SASM | [illegible] June [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
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# VFA-86

## Lineage

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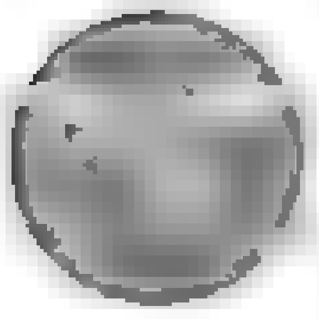

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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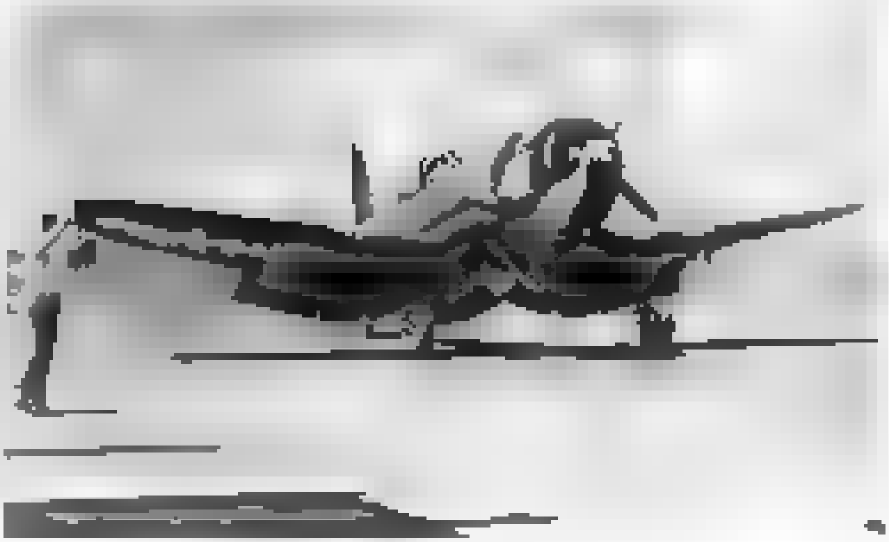

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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] | |
| NAS Jacksonville, Fla. | 8 Mar 195[illegible] |
| NAS [illegible] | Jun 195[illegible] |
| NAS Cecil Field | Mar 195[illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Command Assumed |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jul 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Jul 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Sep 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | Mar 1959 |
| LCDR John W. [illegible] Jr. | 20 Feb 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | 1[illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| LCDR Richard [illegible] | Jan 196[illegible] |
| LCDR F. B. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
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| LCDR William W. [illegible] | Nov 196[illegible] |
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| LCDR [illegible] | Jan 197[illegible] |
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| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] |
| LCDR Benjamin F. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 197[illegible] |
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| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Apr 197[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Command Assumed |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] |
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| LCDR John B. [illegible] | Feb 198[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 24 Jun 198[illegible] |
| LCDR Ralph [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
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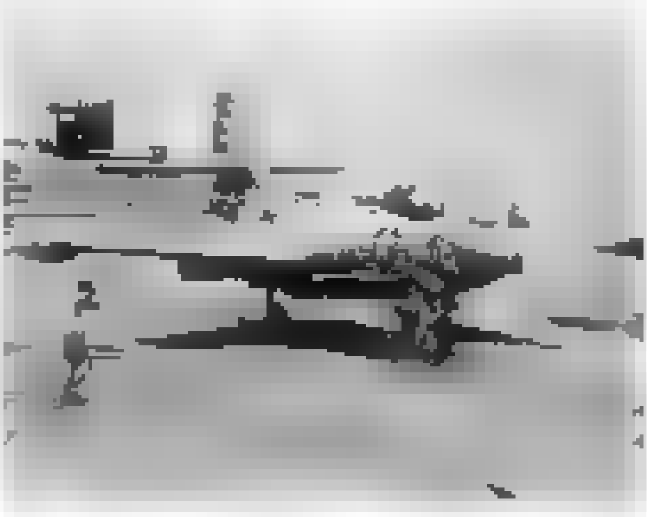

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## Aircraft Assignment

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## Aircraft Assignment—Continued

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
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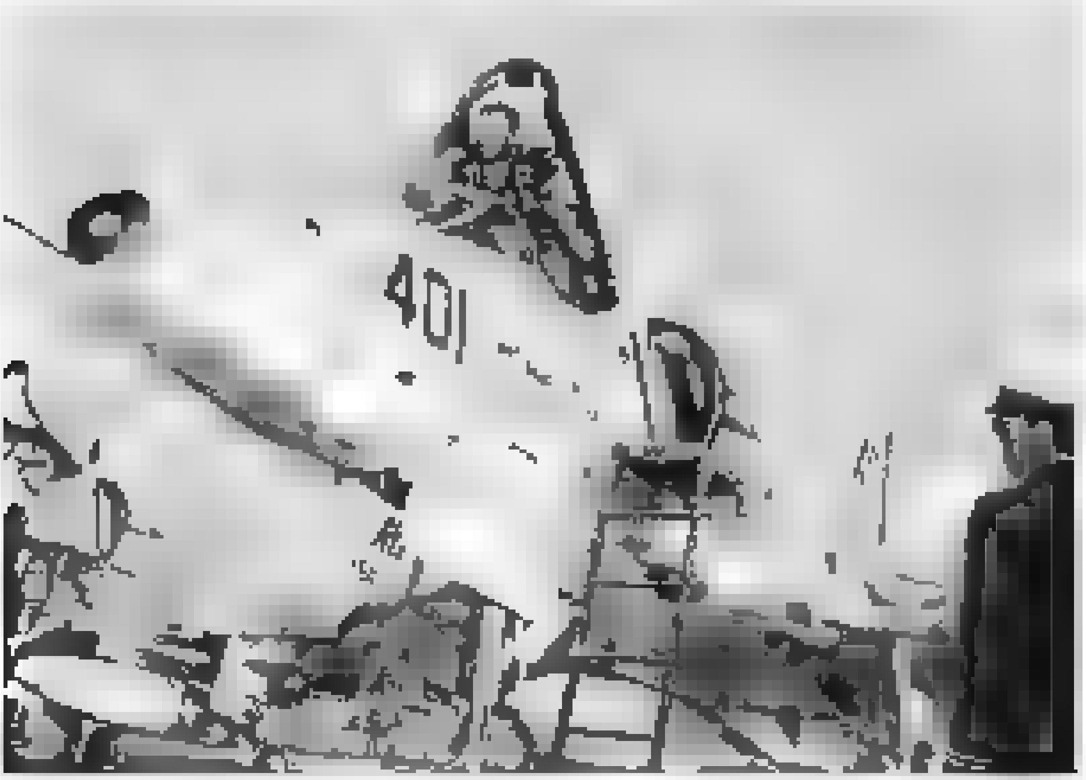

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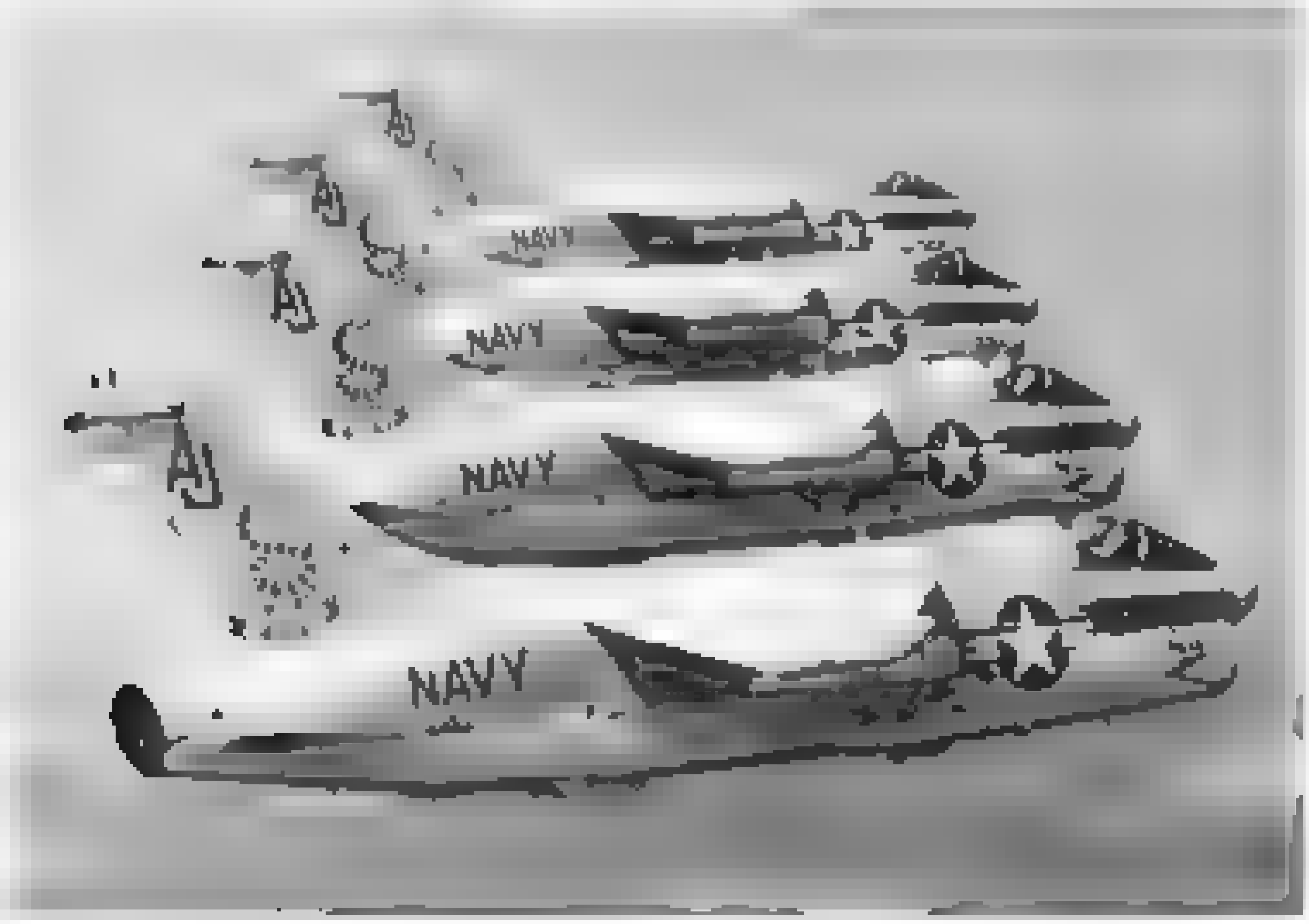

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# VFA-87

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron EIGHTY SEVEN (VA-87) on 1 February 1968.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron EIGHTY SEVEN (VFA-87) on 1 May 1986. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-87 and VFA-87 designations.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on 30 July 1968. Colors for the insignia are: red background; helmet in yellow and black; the trident, [illegible] and [illegible] are [illegible]; and the arrow head [illegible].

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Nickname: Golden Warriors, 1968–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Mar 1969: The squadron flew its first combat missions, striking enemy targets in South Vietnam.

Apr 1969: Following the shootdown of a Navy EC-121 aircraft by North Korean fighters, *Ticonderoga*, with VA-87 embarked, was ordered to the Sea of Japan.

Oct–Nov 1973: *Franklin D. Roosevelt*, with VA-87 embarked, operated in the Mediterranean in response to the Arab-Israeli War.

Jun–Jul 1976: The American Ambassador to Lebanon was assassinated on 16 June and *Independence*, with VA-87 embarked, operated in the vicinity of Lebanon. Squadron aircraft flew support missions during the evacuation of American citizens from Beirut, Lebanon.

Mar 1981: *Independence*, with VA-87 embarked, following the [illegible], remained on station in the eastern Mediterranean due to the crisis between Israel and Syria, following Israeli raids against Syrian missile sites in Lebanon.

25 Oct–2 Nov 1983: In response to [illegible] and the [illegible] of American citizens from the island [illegible], VA-87 flew combat close air support missions during Operation Urgent Fury, the landing of [illegible] and Army troops on the island.

4 Dec 1983: In response to Syrian [illegible] against [illegible] positions in Lebanon, VA-87 aircraft participated in a coordinated strike against Syrian [illegible] communications and artillery positions that were shelling the Multi-National Peacekeeping Forces. All squadron aircraft completed their mission and returned to the carrier.

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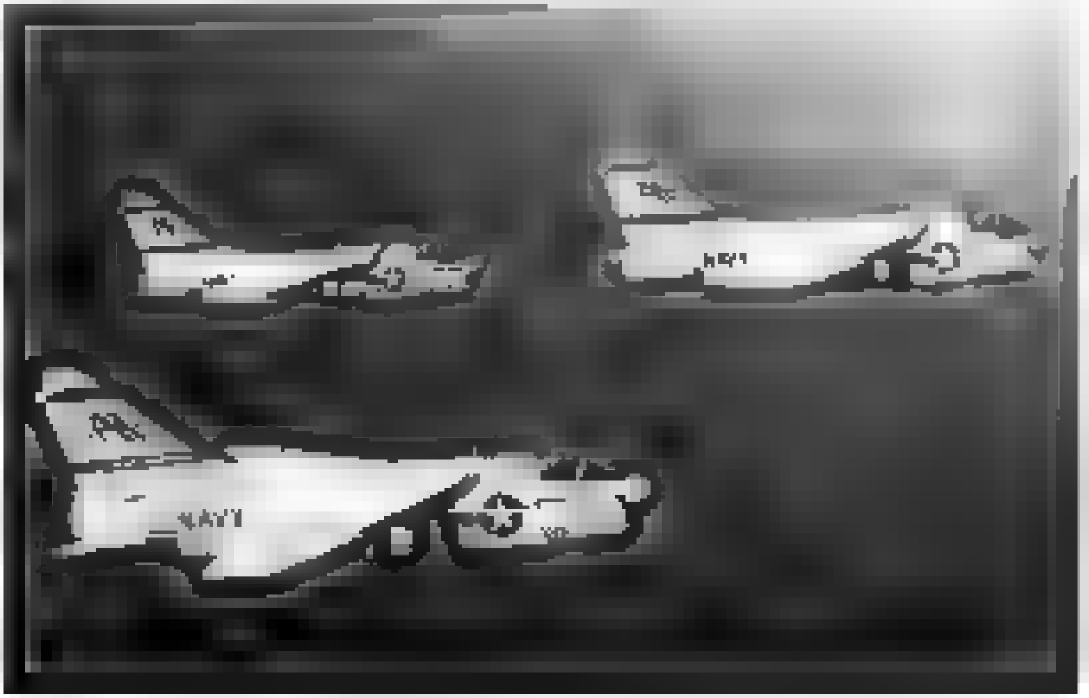

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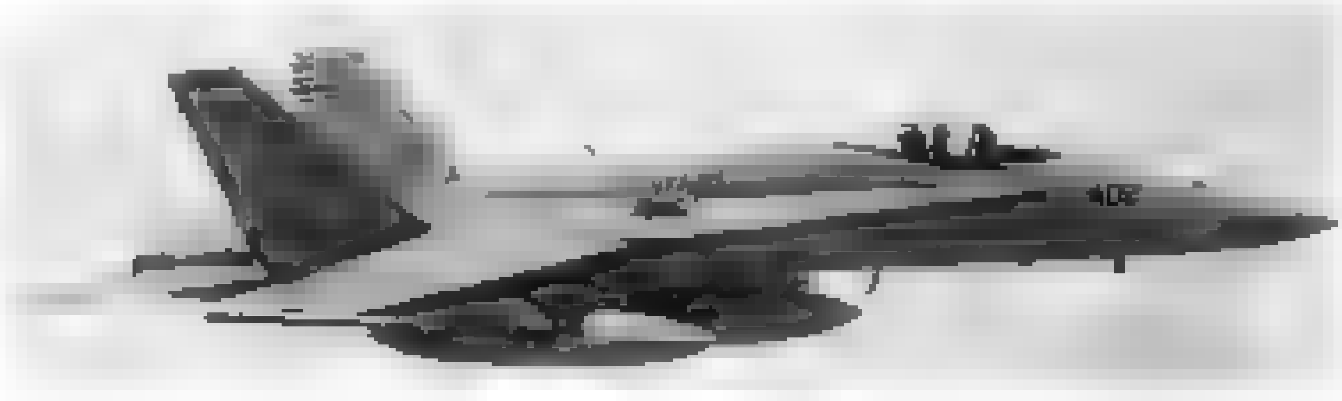

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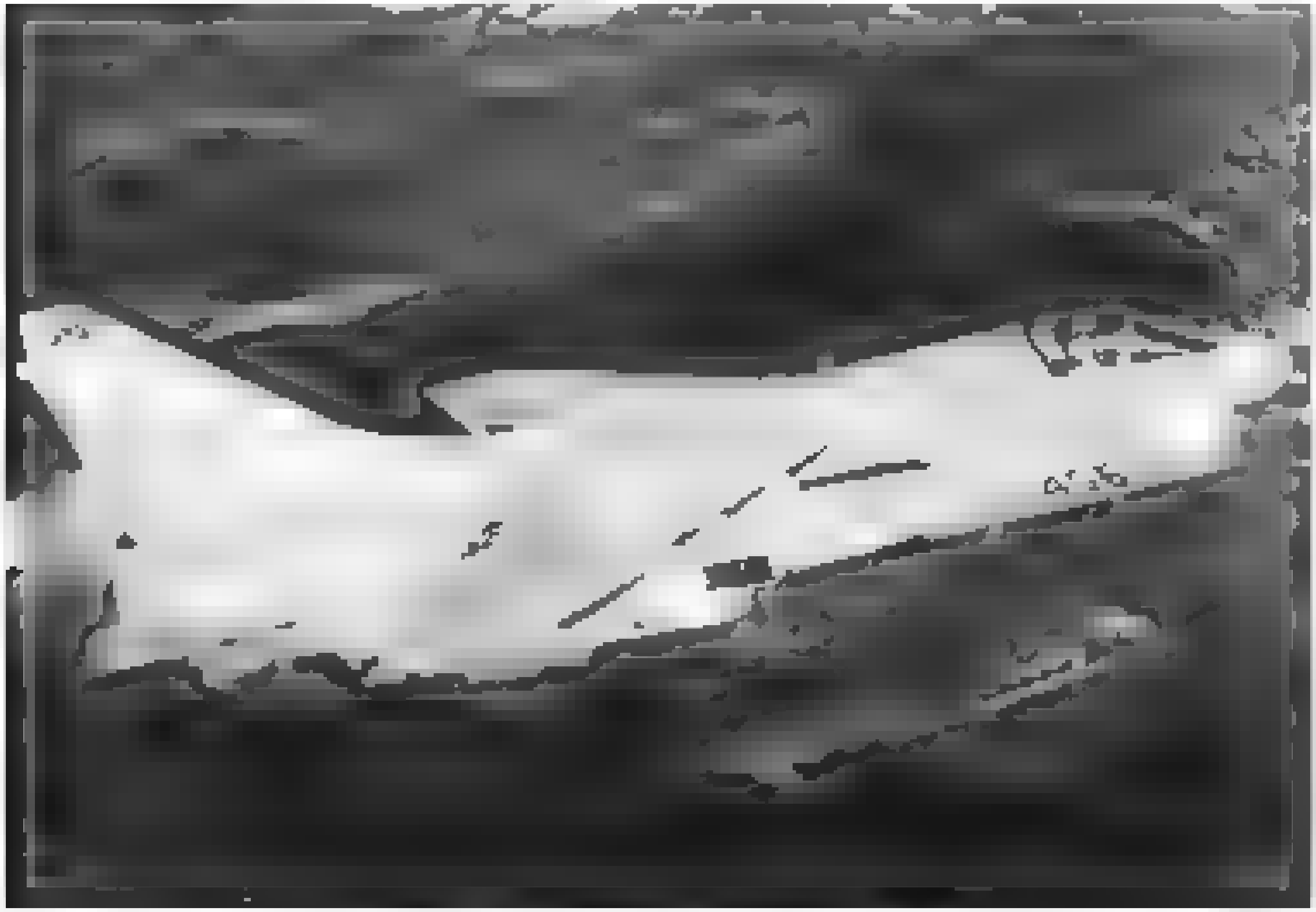

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# VFA 94

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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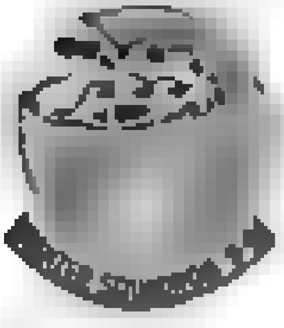

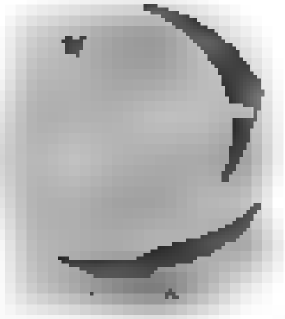

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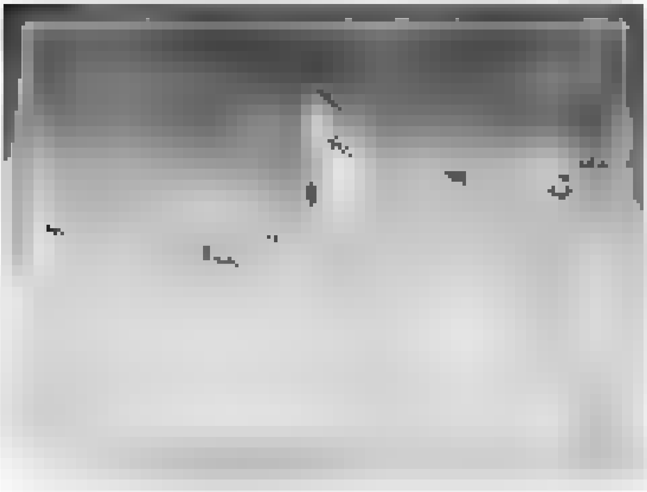

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27 Oct 1979: Following the assassination of Park Chung-hee, President of the Republic of Korea, *Kitty Hawk*, with VA-[illegible] embarked, was ordered to operate off the coast of Korea.

21 Nov 1979: *Kitty Hawk*, along with [illegible], departed Subic Bay, Philippines, enroute to the Arabian Sea in response to the [illegible] takeover of the American Embassy in [illegible] and the taking of [illegible] Americans as hostages.

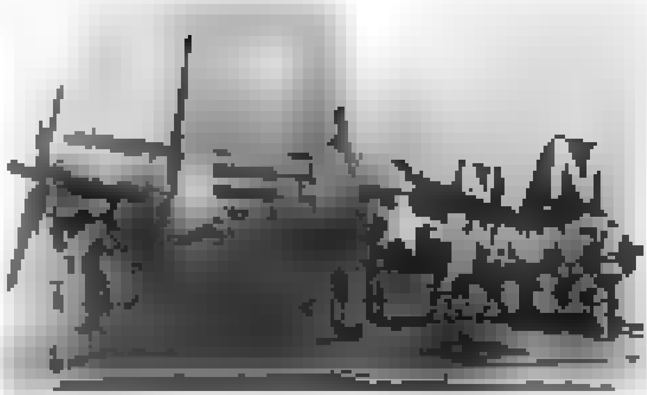
14 Jun 1982: While the squadron was embarked on USS [illegible] for [illegible], the commanding officer, [illegible], was killed in a landing accident.

Apr–Jul 1986: [illegible] with [illegible] embarked, transited the [illegible] from the Mediterranean [illegible] augment the [illegible]. Earlier in the month American strikes were flown against Libyan military targets as a response to Libya's continuing support of terrorist activities.

Feb–Mar 1988: The squadron flew in support of Operation Earnest Will, escorting reflagged Kuwaiti oil tankers in the Persian Gulf.

18 Apr 1988: The squadron participated in Operation Praying Mantis, a retaliation strike against Iranian [illegible] platforms and other naval ships after *Samuel B. Roberts* (FFG 58) struck an Iranian mine in international waters on 14 April. Squadron aircraft delivered [illegible] on the Iranian frigate *Sahand*.

Dec 1989: The squadron participated in Operation Classic Resolve, providing support for the Philippine government during a coup attempt.



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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| CDR [illegible] T. [illegible] | 27 Apr 195[illegible] |
| LCDR R. [illegible] Singleton (acting) | Mar 195[illegible] |
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## Commanding Officers—Continued

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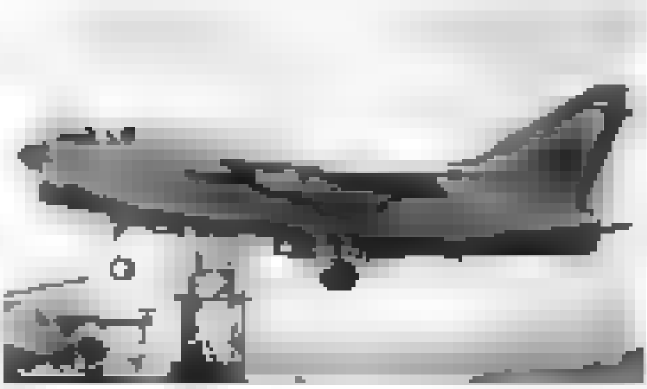

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| VNSM | 10 Dec 1965 | [illegible] Jan 1966 |
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# VFA-97

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron NINETY SEVEN (VA-97) on 1 June 1967.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron NINETY SEVEN (VFA-97) on [illegible] January 1991. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-97 and VFA-97 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] and shield insignia [illegible] as follows: [illegible] light blue outlined in black; gold [illegible] with [illegible] black eagle [illegible] with gold [illegible] gold beak [illegible] blue shield with a gold trident [illegible] knight helmet [illegible] gold [illegible] lettering.

VA-97's insignia [illegible]

Nickname: Warhawks, 1968–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

28 Jun 1968: The squadron conducted its [illegible] combat missions.

4 Feb–[illegible] Mar 1971: The squadron embarked in *Enterprise* (CVAN 65) for the ship's [illegible] around [illegible] America [illegible].

Dec 1971: Following the outbreak of war between India and Pakistan over East Pakistan (Bangladesh) independence, *Enterprise* [illegible] was ordered to [illegible] contingency operations in the Indian Ocean. The carrier, with [illegible] embarked, operated [illegible] until the cessation of hostilities in the latter part of December.

Oct 1972: The squadron [illegible] participated in Linebacker I operations, heavy air strikes against targets in North Vietnam to interdict the flow of supplies into South Vietnam.

Dec 1972: The squadron participated in Linebacker II operations, an intensified [illegible] of [illegible] targets.

Feb 1975: *Enterprise*, with VA-97 [illegible], provided assistance to [illegible] the island [illegible] of Mauritius following [illegible].

Apr 1975: The squadron participated in Operation Frequent Wind and provided air support for [illegible] forces [illegible] to the communists.

Feb 1977: During the [illegible] in Uganda and threats against Americans in that country, *Enterprise* operated off the coast of Kenya ready to evacuate Americans.

Dec 1979: [illegible] operated off the coast of South Korea following the assassination of South Korea's President Park [illegible].

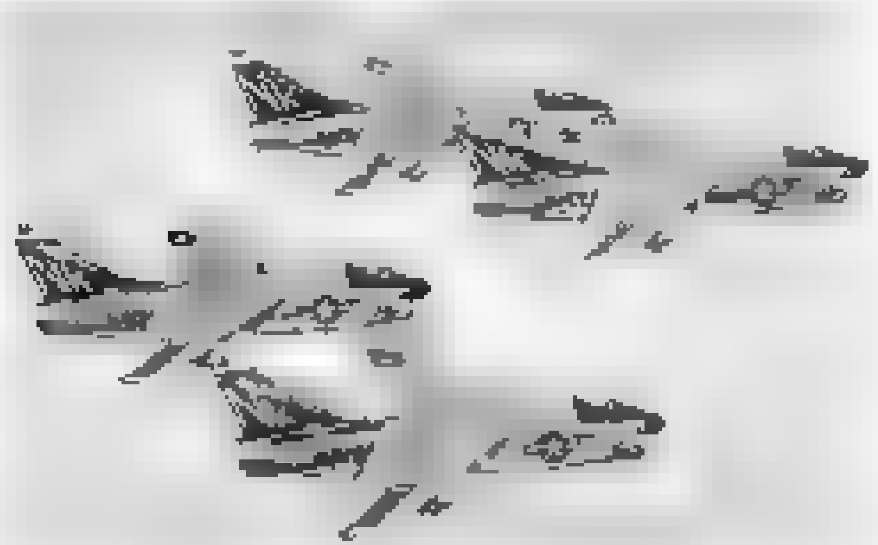
Apr 1980: [illegible] was part of the task force [illegible] in supporting the [illegible] hostage [illegible] attempt.

May 1980: Following [illegible] in South Korea, [illegible] operated off the coast of that country.

Aug 1981: Due to the unsettled conditions in Central America, [illegible] operated off the coast of [illegible] and also participated in surveillance for illegal drug traffic.

Aug 1986: The squadron participated in [illegible] operations in the Bering Sea.

Jul 1988: During the Olympics in Seoul, Korea, [illegible] with VA-97 embarked, operated off the coast of Korea.



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## Commanding Officers—Continued

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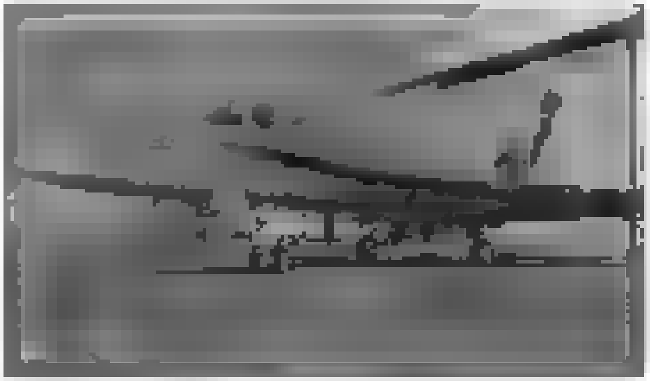

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# VFA-105

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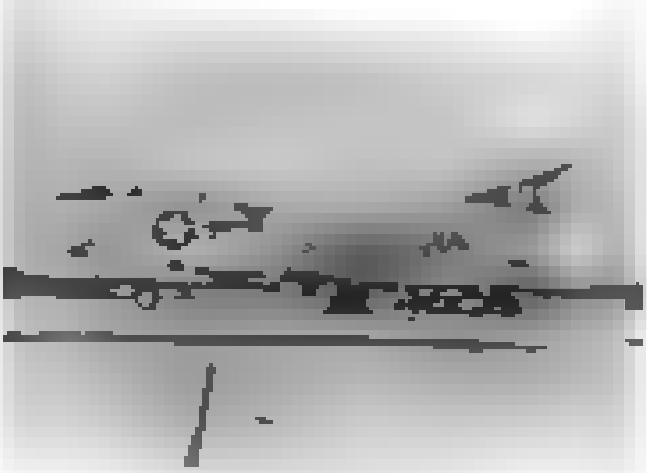

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## Commanding Officers—Continued

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| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
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| 15 Apr 1988 | 17 Oct 1988 | CVW-6 | CV-59 | A-7E | Med/IO/NorLant |
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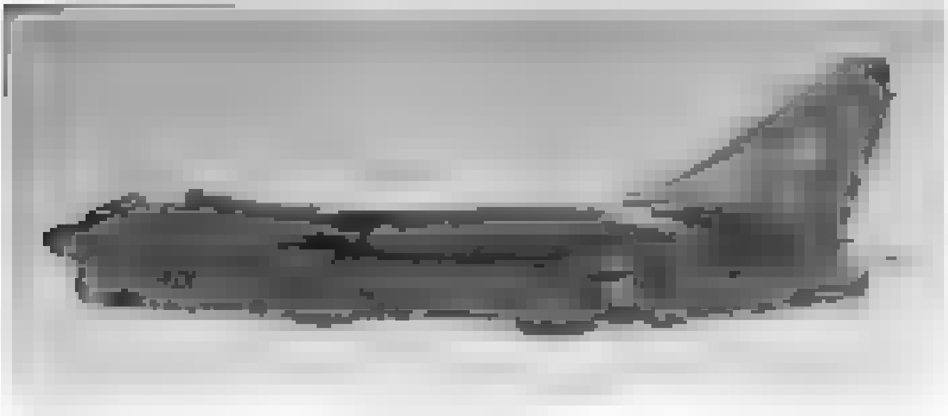

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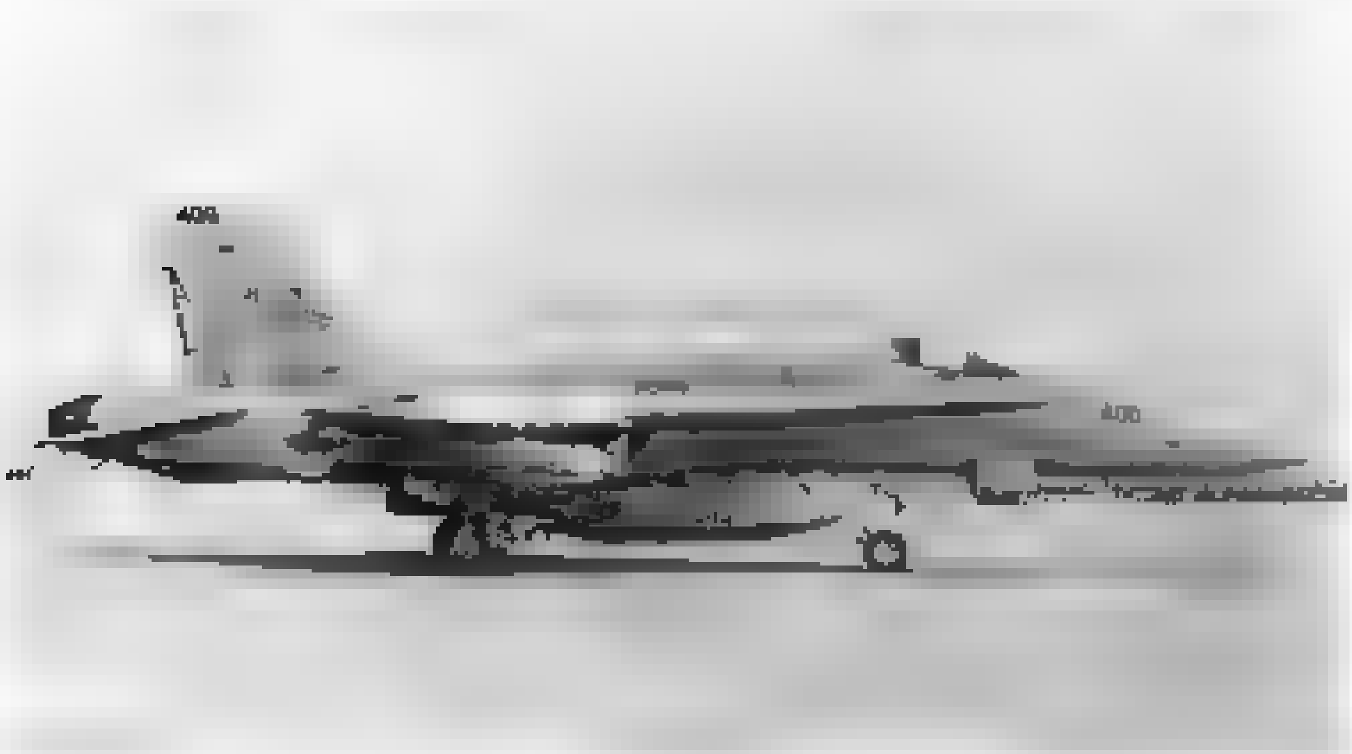

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# VFA-106

## Lineage

Established as Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible] (VF[illegible]) on [illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the VFA-106 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] 1984. The insignia approved for VFA-106 has been used [illegible] [illegible]. Colors for the [illegible] insignia are a gold background outlined in navy blue, [illegible] arrows and lightning bolt, [illegible] the upper part of the helmet [illegible] [illegible] upper right [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] markings and blue [illegible] white lettering.

[illegible]

Nickname: Gladiators, 19[illegible]–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

27 Apr 1984: The squadron [illegible] the training [illegible] F/A-18 [illegible] maintenance personnel [illegible] F/A-18 [illegible] squadrons.

[illegible] 1985: [illegible] began training on the F/A-18 [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Cecil Field | 27 Apr 1984 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | 27 Apr 1984 |
| CDR [illegible] G. Peterson | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Feb 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] King [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Waddell | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F/A-18A | [illegible] Feb 198[illegible] |
| TF/A-18A | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| F/A-18B | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| F/A-18[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| F/A-18[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |

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### Air Wing Assignments

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### Unit Awards Received

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# VFA-113

## Lineage

Established as Fighting Squadron ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN (VF-113) on [illegible] July 1948.

Redesignated Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN (VA-113) on [illegible] 1956.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN (VFA-113) on [illegible] 1983, the first squadron to be assigned the new VFA designation.

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The [illegible] insignia [illegible] the insignia [illegible] with [illegible] yellow [illegible] with yellow [illegible] black and [illegible] with [illegible] wings [illegible] black markings.

[illegible] of the insignia [illegible] with a blue [illegible] yellow [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible] present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

5 Aug 1950: The squadron flew its first combat [illegible] tanks and [illegible] targets and [illegible] Korean [illegible] and [illegible].

22–[illegible] Aug 1950: Squadron [illegible] the [illegible] for the landings at [illegible].

15 Sep 1950: The squadron participated in [illegible] during the landings at [illegible] striking targets on the [illegible] between [illegible] and Seoul.

2 & 5 Nov 1950: Squadron [illegible] participated in Operation [illegible] the [illegible] and departing [illegible] from the [illegible] using [illegible] engine [illegible] the [illegible].

9–[illegible] & [illegible] Nov 1950: [illegible] the squadron [illegible] bridges between [illegible] and [illegible]. No damage was [illegible] to the squadron [illegible] though [illegible] flak [illegible] in the air.

[illegible] Dec 1950: [illegible] squadron [illegible] during [illegible] the [illegible] during [illegible] villages [illegible] for the first time.

[illegible] 1952: The squadron [illegible] in [illegible] participated in the [illegible] strikes against [illegible] power plants [illegible]. This was the first time that these power plants had been [illegible] targeted. It [illegible] the [illegible] that had [illegible] of the [illegible] Korea [illegible] 1952.

[illegible] 1955: Squadron [illegible] in [illegible] during the evacuation of personnel from the [illegible] due to the [illegible] of the islands by the People's Republic of China.

Aug–Sep 1958: The squadron [illegible] provided [illegible] to the Republic of China during the shelling of the [illegible] by the Chinese Communists.

[illegible] Aug–Nov [illegible]: The squadron [illegible] from [illegible] the new [illegible].

[illegible] 1964: Squadron [illegible] participated in [illegible] operations [illegible] including [illegible] and [illegible] over South Vietnam and Laos.

Nov 1964–[illegible] 1965: The squadron [illegible] a detachment [illegible] for use [illegible] fighter.

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participation for the antisubmarine [illegible] air group embarked [illegible] Bennington [illegible].

Dec 1965: During the squadron's first line period on Yankee Station [illegible] strikes against important [illegible] targets, including the [illegible] Bridge, [illegible] Thermal Power Plant and the [illegible] Bridge.

Jan–Feb 1968: While embarked in Enterprise [illegible] and enroute to Yankee Station, the carrier was ordered to the Sea of Japan for operations following the seizure of the Pueblo [illegible] by the North Koreans.

Dec 1971: The squadron participated in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] strikes against targets [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible].

Jul 1976: Following the [illegible] in Beirut and the threatened [illegible] operations against Kenya [illegible], the Ranger [illegible] with [illegible] embarked, was ordered to [illegible] from the South China Sea to the [illegible] Indian Ocean and operated off the coast of Kenya.

15 [illegible] 1980–22 Mar 1984: Under the Strong Wing [illegible] concept to reduce [illegible], the [illegible] [illegible] Ranger [illegible] was [illegible] at NAS [illegible] Point and operated as [illegible] W [illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible]. While [illegible] based the squadron [illegible] participated in numerous [illegible] exercises [illegible].

Mar–Oct 1983: The squadron made West Pacific [illegible] [illegible] with VFA [illegible] [illegible] the first [illegible] fleet operational squadron assigned the F/A-18 Hornet.

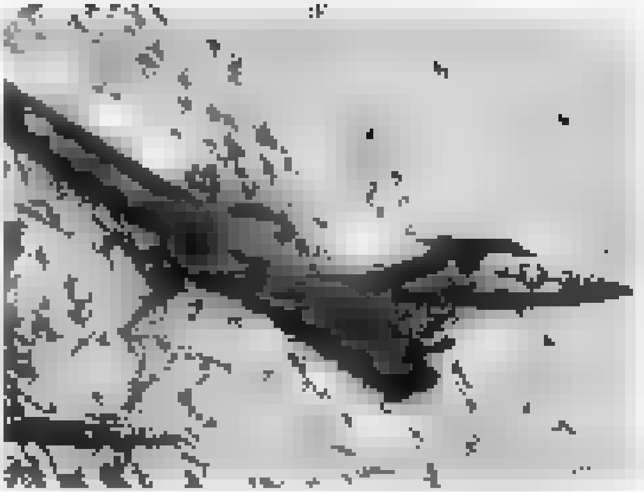
Feb–Aug 1985: VFA [illegible] along with VFA [illegible] made the first deployment with the new F/A-18 Hornet. The squadron deployed aboard Constellation [illegible] and operated in the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean.

Jul 1987: [illegible] squadron [illegible] along with other units of [illegible] W [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the Strait of Hormuz [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] Earnest Will operations, the escort of [illegible] Kuwaiti [illegible] through the [illegible] of Hormuz and Persian Gulf.

2 Aug 1990: Independence [illegible] with [illegible] embarked [illegible] to the Gulf of Oman following the [illegible] of Kuwait.

Aug 1990: The squadron's F/A-18s flew [illegible] [illegible] missions with [illegible] in the Persian Gulf [illegible] degree [illegible] [illegible] in support of Operation Desert Shield, the build up of forces in the [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] invasion of Saudi Arabia [illegible] part of the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] withdrawal from Kuwait.

[illegible] Oct 1990: VFA [illegible] conducted flight operations from Independence while she operated in the Persian Gulf. This was the first time a carrier has operated in the Persian Gulf since [illegible].



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## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
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| NAS San Diego | Jul [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
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| [illegible] Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] [illegible] O'Neil | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| [illegible] [illegible] Shaw | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |
| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] Thomas | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Short | Jul [illegible] |
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| CDR Richard [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | [illegible] | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jul 1950 | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | | [illegible] | F[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | | [illegible] | F[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Jul 1953 | [illegible] 195[illegible] | | [illegible] | F9F | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] | | [illegible] | F9F | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1956 | [illegible] 195[illegible] | | [illegible] | F9F-8B | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] | [illegible] Nov 195[illegible] | | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 | | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1960 | [illegible] Mar 196[illegible] | | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1964 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1966 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A | [illegible] | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov 196[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6A | [illegible] | WestPac Vietnam |
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| [illegible] Jul 1969 | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6B | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] | WestPac Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] Feb 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1980 | [illegible] Mar 198[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Aug 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | A-6E | [illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] Aug 1985 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | [illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Sep 1986 | [illegible] 1986 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] Feb 1988 | [illegible] Jun 1988 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | [illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Sep 1989 | [illegible] 1989 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1990 | [illegible] Dec 1990 | CVW[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18C | [illegible] | WestPac IO<br>Persian Gulf |

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NUC | 04 Aug 1950 | 29 Mar 1953 |
| | 26 Dec 1965 | 14 May 1966 |
| | 18 Dec 1966 | 20 Jun 1967 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1968 | 20 Jun 1968 |
| | [illegible] June [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| KSM | 03 Aug 1950 | 29 Mar 1953 |
| | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] Jul 1953 |
| KPU | [illegible] June [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 30 Jan 1952 | 12 Jul 1953 |
| NAVE | 01 Jul 1957 | 30 Jun 1958 |
| | 01 Jul 1967 | 30 Jun 1968 |
| | 01 Jan 1985 | 30 Jun 1986 |
| [illegible] | 18 Nov 1970 | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| | 17 Mar 1983 | 27 Aug 1985 |
| | 01 Jan 1984 | 24 Aug 1985 |
| AFEM | 30 Aug 1958 | 01 Sep 1958 |
| | 03 Sep 1958 | 27 Sep 1959 |
| | 15 Oct 1958 | 16 Oct 1959 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1962 | 10 Nov 1962 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1962 | |
| | 19 May 1964 | 01 Jun 1964 |
| | [illegible] 1964 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] June [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| VNSM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 15 Jan 1966 | 04 Feb 1966 |
| | 18 Feb 1966 | 14 Mar 1966 |
| | 01 Apr 1966 | 29 Apr 1966 |
| | 08 May 1966 | 23 May 1966 |
| | 17 Dec 1966 | 17 Jan 1967 |
| | [illegible] 1967 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] |
| | [illegible] Mar 1967 | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| | 28 Apr 1967 | 28 May 1967 |
| | 04 Jun 1967 | 21 Jun 1967 |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 23 Feb 1968 | 17 Mar 1968 |
| | 26 Mar 1968 | 24 Apr 1968 |
| | 30 Apr 1968 | 21 May 1968 |
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| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] |
| | 27 Dec 1970 | [illegible] Jan 1971 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1971 | [illegible] Mar 1971 |
| | [illegible] Mar 1971 | 08 Apr 1971 |
| | 25 Apr 1971 | 18 May 1971 |
| | 09 Dec 1972 | 01 Jan 1973 |
| | 14 Jan 1973 | 30 Jan 1973 |
| | 03 Feb 1973 | 06 Feb 1973 |
| RVNGC | 23 Dec 1966 | |
| | 04 Jan 1967 | |
| | 07 Jan 1967 | 10 Jan 1967 |
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| | 20 Feb 1967 | |
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| | 29 Mar 1968 | 30 Mar 1968 |

**Unit Awards Received—Continued**

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 11 Apr 1968 | 15 Apr 1968 |
| | 17 Apr 1968 | 18 Apr 1968 |
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| | 02 Jun 1968 | 02 Jun 1968 |
| | 11 Jun 1968 | |

**Unit Awards Received—Continued**

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 5 Jun 1968 | |
| HSM | 25 May 1976 | 01 Jun 1976 |
| | 5 Jan 19[illegible] | |
| NEM | 30 Jul 1982 | 12 Mar 1983 |
| | 27 Jun 1987 | 23 Jul 1987 |
| VA-[illegible] Det Q | | |
| AFEM | [illegible] Jan 1963 | [illegible] Mar 1963 |
| | 29 Jan 1963 | [illegible] Mar 1963 |
| NEM | 20 Jul 1963 | [illegible] Aug 1963 |
| | [illegible] June 1963 | 30 Sep 1963 |

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# VFA-125

## Lineage

Established as Fighter Attack Squadron ONE TWENTY FIVE (VFA-125) on [illegible] November 1980.

The Fighter Attack designation [illegible] changed to Strike Fighter [illegible]. However, the [illegible] remained the same [illegible] the squadron [illegible] the VFA-125 designation.

The squadron's [illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's [illegible] October 198[illegible]. The squadron adopted the [illegible] that had been used [illegible] insignia [illegible] black [illegible] and outlined in [illegible] yellow [illegible] white [illegible] With [illegible] flame [illegible] outlined in [illegible] electron [illegible]

[illegible] approved a modification to the squadron insignia [illegible]. The [illegible] changed to a light blue [illegible] and dark blue [illegible] added to the lower scroll of the insignia.

Nickname: Rough Raiders, 1980–present.

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

**[illegible] Nov 1980:** The squadron was established with [illegible] fighter and attack pilots to fly the F/A-18 Hornet. It was also tasked with training Navy and Marine Corps maintenance personnel. The commanding officer was a Navy officer and the executive officer a Marine Corps officer.

**Jun 1981:** Squadron officers, along with the F/A-18, participated in the Paris Air Show.

**Aug 1982:** The squadron [illegible] Training [illegible] the first squadron to begin transition training in the F/A-18.

**Sep 1982:** The squadron's [illegible] qualification detachment began qualifications aboard *Constellation* ([illegible]).

**Mar 1985:** Training began [illegible] squadron to transition to the F/A-18.

Squadron [illegible] F/A-18 [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] 1980 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR James W. Partington | [illegible] 1980 |
| CDR Jerry C. Palmer | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CAPT [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CAPT [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CAPT Joseph W. Parker Jr. | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CAPT Alan B. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] 199[illegible] |
| CAPT [illegible] Kendall | [illegible] 1991 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F/A-18A | [illegible] Feb 198[illegible] |
| TF/A-18A | [illegible] Jan 198[illegible] |
| A-4E | [illegible] Jan 198[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr 198[illegible] |
| F/A-18B | Aug 198[illegible] |
| F/A-18C | Jul 198[illegible] |
| F/A-18D | 198[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 199[illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

### Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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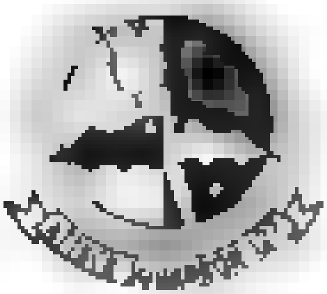
# VFA-127

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname



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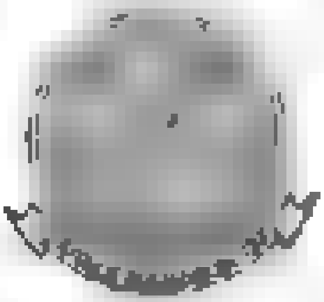
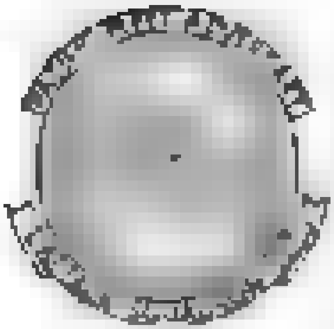




[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

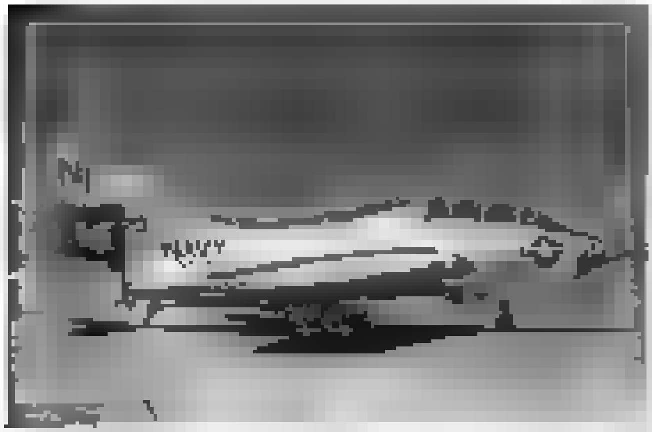
[illegible]

It was designated as the only A-4 Replacement [illegible]

[illegible] training on the A-[illegible] to foreign pilots. Beginning in 19[illegible] [illegible] training for the Singapore Air Defense Command was conducted by [illegible].

Jul 1975: The squadron's primary mission was changed. Fleet Replacement Pilot training and the Fleet Replacement [illegible] were discontinued. The squadron's new mission included [illegible] [illegible] instrument training, [illegible] combat maneuvering adversary training, [illegible] pilot training and jet transition refresher training. In November 19[illegible] [illegible] officially designated [illegible] with the mission of air combat maneuvering [illegible] adversary training.

[illegible] 1983: The squadron's instrument training mission was dropped and the primary mission became the [illegible] Roster [illegible] Combat Maneuvering.



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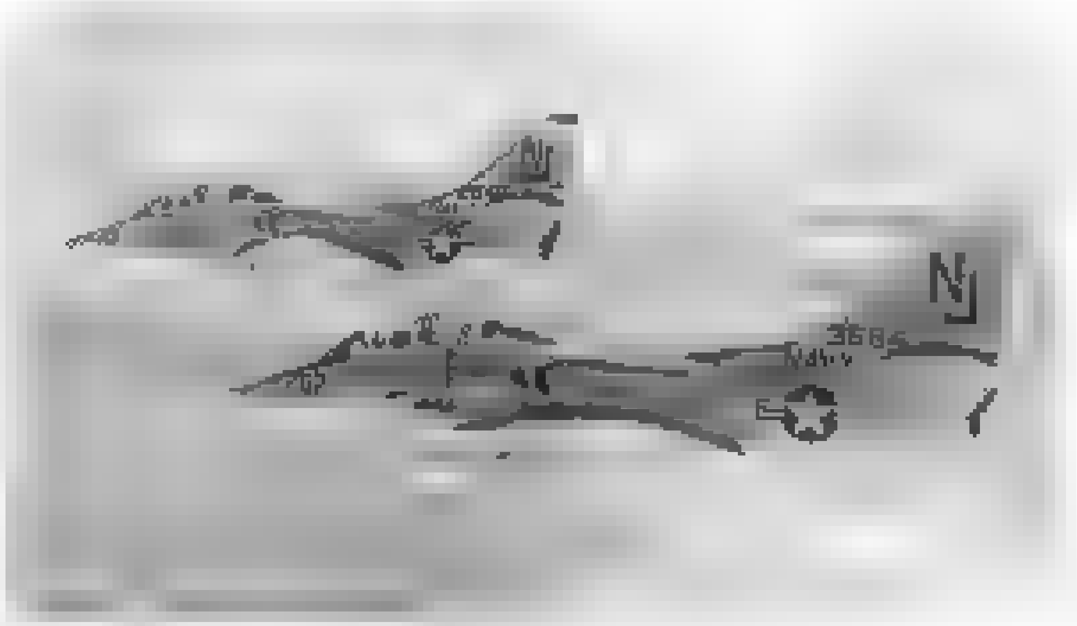

The squadron's [illegible] [illegible] in flight [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Oceana | 5 Jun 1962 |
| NAS Fallon | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Ernest [illegible] [illegible] | Jun 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 25 [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Brown | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Edward [illegible] Webster | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR George [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR Thomas [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Ronald [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Ronald [illegible] Waters | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Hill | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] 1982 |
| CDR Paul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR Michael [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Alan [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Russell | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F9F-8T/TF-9J | 15 Jun 1962 |
| TA-4F | 03 Aug 1966 |
| A-4F | Mar 1970 |
| A-4E | Apr 1970 |
| TA-4J | 5 Apr 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment—Continued

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| QF-86H | Sep 1987 |
| F-5E | Sep 1987 |
| F-5F | Sep 1987 |
| F/A-18A | Mar 1993 |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | | |

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# VFA-131

## Lineage

[illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

[illegible]

## Aircraft Assignment

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Red Sea |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VFA-132

## Lineage

Established as Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible] (VFA-132) on [illegible] January 1984. Disestablished on [illegible] June 199[illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the [illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] 1984. Colors for the patch/insignia were a light blue background, silhouette in black; the privateer's hat was red with yellow trim; black [illegible] with yellow [illegible]; white trousers; the [illegible] face and hands in white and the [illegible] black. White rockets and green missile trail outlined in black; black [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] white [illegible] outlined in black with a [illegible] handle [illegible]; blue scroll with yellow lettering.

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible]

Nickname: Privateers, 1984–19[illegible].

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Mar 1986:** During Freedom of Navigation exercises [illegible] the Gulf of [illegible], the squadron [illegible] flew Combat Air Patrols in support of the exercise [illegible] the period of [illegible] March [illegible] the [illegible] SA-5 [illegible] the [illegible] while [illegible] operating in international waters.

**[illegible] Apr 1986:** Squadron aircraft, along with other units of [illegible] and [illegible] from [illegible] participated in [illegible] the strikes against [illegible] sites [illegible] outside [illegible] Benghazi. This was the first use of the F/A-18 in combat.

**[illegible] 1987–Apr 1988:** The squadron [illegible] NAS [illegible] and was assigned [illegible]. While deployed [illegible] the squadron operated detachments at [illegible] Point [illegible] NAF [illegible] AB [illegible] Kadena AB [illegible].

**Aug–Sep 1991:** [illegible] the [illegible] search [illegible] the remains [illegible] Lieutenant Commander William [illegible]. In early September the squadron [illegible] the [illegible] used [illegible] from the [illegible].

**Jun–Sep 199[illegible]:** [illegible] the squadron's participation in [illegible] northern Iraq in support of the Kurdish relief effort.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] 1984 |
| NAS Cecil Field | Feb [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Robert E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Fleming | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F/A-18 | Jan 198[illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

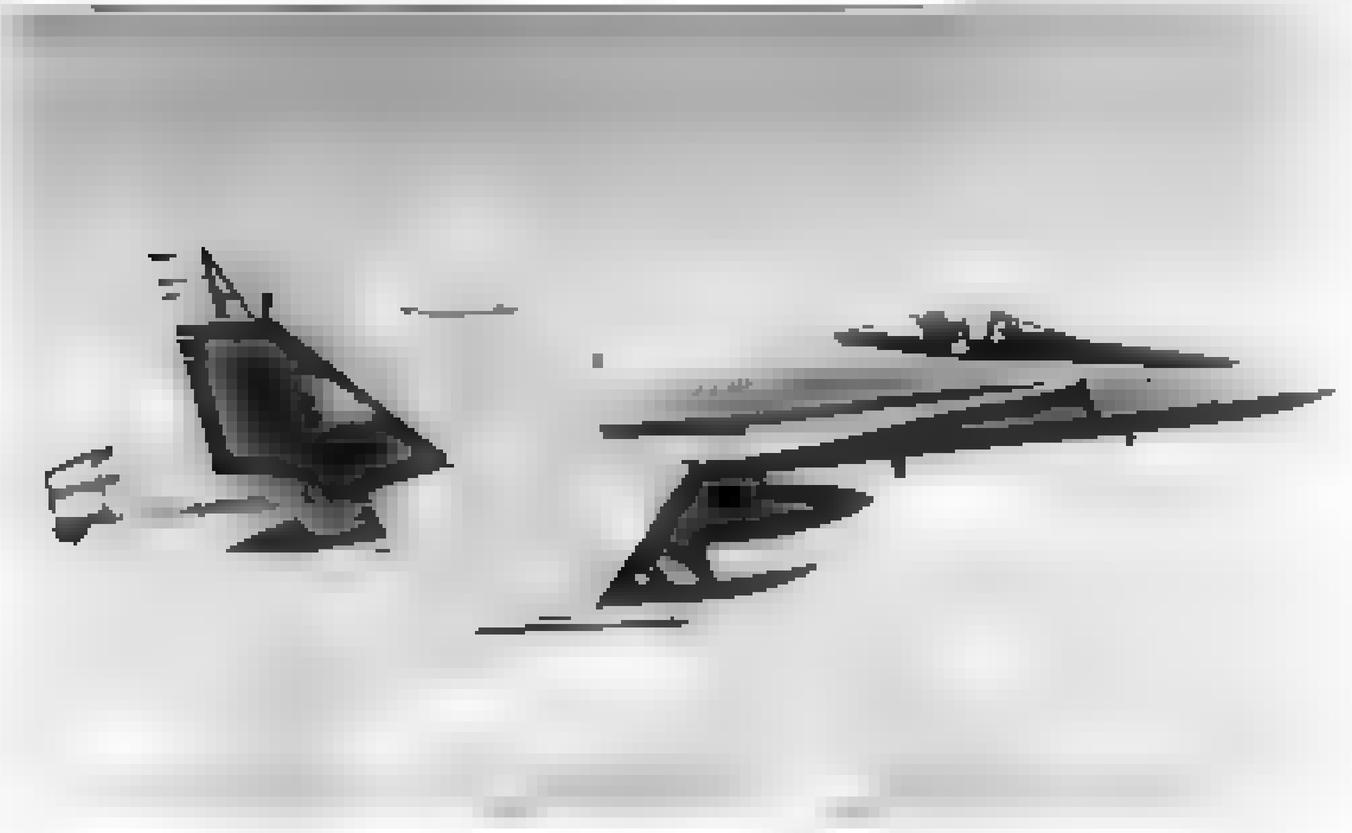
| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1988 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | AB | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AB | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | AE | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] 1986 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] 1986 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] Apr 1986 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] Apr 1986 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |



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# VFA-136

## Lineage

Established as Strike Fighter Squadron ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX (VFA-136) on 1 July 1985.

The first squadron to be assigned the VFA-136 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible].

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] 1986. Colors for the Knighthawk insignia are: light blue background outlined in dark blue; black shield outlined in red; white hawk with black markings, yellow feet and beak, red tongue; black scroll, light blue, outlined in dark blue with black lettering.

Nickname: Knighthawks, 1985–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Aug 1990:** Embarked on *Eisenhower* (CVN 69), the squadron's F/A-18s flew air cover in the Red Sea in support of Operation Desert Shield, the build-up of American and Allied forces to counter a threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia by Iraq and to enforce a naval blockade of Iraq to force its withdrawal from Kuwait. The *Eisenhower* task force was the first U.S. force in position to deter Iraqi invasions into Saudi Arabia.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Date of Assignment |
|---|---|
| NAS Lemoore | 01 Jul 1985 |
| NAS Cecil Field | [illegible] Jan 1988 |

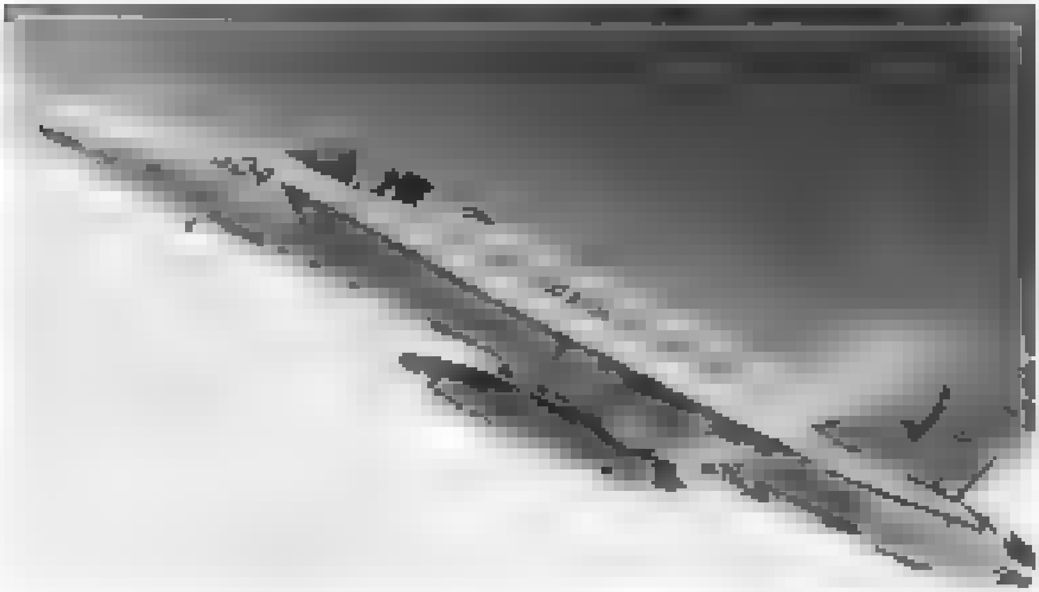
## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | 01 Jul 1985 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1987 |
| CDR Robert E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1989 |
| CDR Jeffrey R. [illegible] | 10 Sep 1990 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F/A-18A | [illegible] Jan 1986 |
| F/A-18C | [illegible] 1990 |

[illegible]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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Sep 1987 | [illegible] Jan 1988 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1990 | [illegible] Sep 1990 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med/Red Sea |
| [illegible] Sep 1991 | [illegible] Apr 1992 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18C | Med/[illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covered | |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 1991 | [illegible] 1991 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1990 | [illegible] 1991 |

[illegible]

# VFA-137

## Lineage

Established as Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible] (VFA-137) on 1 July 1985.

The first squadron to be assigned the VFA-137 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] April 1985. [illegible]

[illegible]

Nickname: Kestrels, 1985–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

**Aug–Sep 1989:** [illegible] with VFA-137 [illegible] following the Israeli capture of Sheik Obeid and the reported killing of Lieutenant Colonel William R. Higgins. The Squadron flew air support [illegible] during the crisis and the evacuation of personnel from the [illegible] Embassy in Beirut.

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] Jul 1985 |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Raymond E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1985 |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1987 |
| CDR Philip [illegible] | [illegible] 1989 |
| CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | [illegible] 1990 |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| F/A-18A | [illegible] 1985 |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Sep 1985 | [illegible] Mar 1986 | CVW-13 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med |
| [illegible] 1988 | [illegible] Sep 1989 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | Med |

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVW-13 | AK | [illegible] Jan 1984 |
| CVW-6 | AE | [illegible] 1990 |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | [illegible] Jan 1986 | [illegible] Dec 1987 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1988 | [illegible] 1989 |

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# VFA-146

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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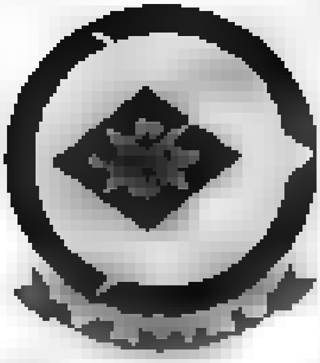


[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible]

units of [illegible] against [illegible] and the torpedo boat operating bases [illegible] resulted in the sinking or damaging of 8 torpedo boats.

**5 Aug 1964:** [illegible] was one of the first squadrons to [illegible] the A-4 [illegible] combat.

**29 Jun 1966:** [illegible] led a 28-plane strike of VA-[illegible] and [illegible] against the Haiphong POL complex. This was the first American strike against these facilities.

**30 Sep 1967:** LCDR Robert E. [illegible] was awarded a Silver Star for his actions on this date.

**[illegible] Jun 1969:** While operating on Yankee Station aboard *Enterprise*, the squadron was ordered north to the Sea of Japan in response to an international incident involving the shoot down of a [illegible] by the North Koreans [illegible].

**Apr 1970:** The squadron [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for its extended combat [illegible].

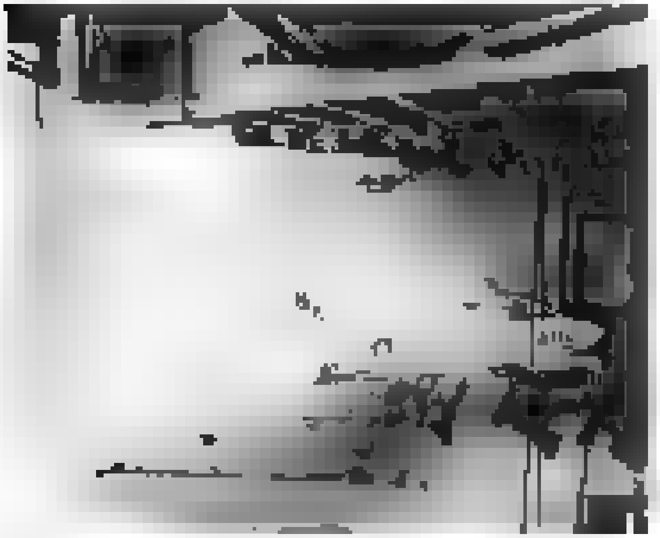
**Mar 1970:** [illegible] along with other pilots from VA-[illegible], flew the newest update version of the A-7 Corsair II, the A-7E, into combat for the first time.

**Dec 1971:** [illegible] up the [illegible] line period on Yankee Station, [illegible] became the [illegible] squadron to use the laser-guided bomb [illegible] combat in Southeast Asia.

**Mar 1972:** The squadron was [illegible] in [illegible] mining missions [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**Feb–Apr 1973:** [illegible] during Operation End Sweep, the sweeping of mines from North Vietnamese waters.

**Nov 1973:** VA-[illegible], as part of the [illegible], aboard *Constellation* operated in the Persian Gulf. This was the first time in 26 years that an American carrier had operated in the Persian Gulf.



[illegible]

**7 Mar 1979:** *Constellation* and her air wing were ordered to make a high-speed transit to the Indian Ocean from the Philippines in response to the conflict between North and South Yemen.

**Feb–Oct 1980:** VA-[illegible] made the first extended Pacific deployment with the new Forward Looking Infrared Radar system (FLIR) installed in the A-7E Corsair II.

**1983:** The Blue Diamonds were tasked with the introduction of the [illegible] system. The new missile [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] defense suppression [illegible] missile.

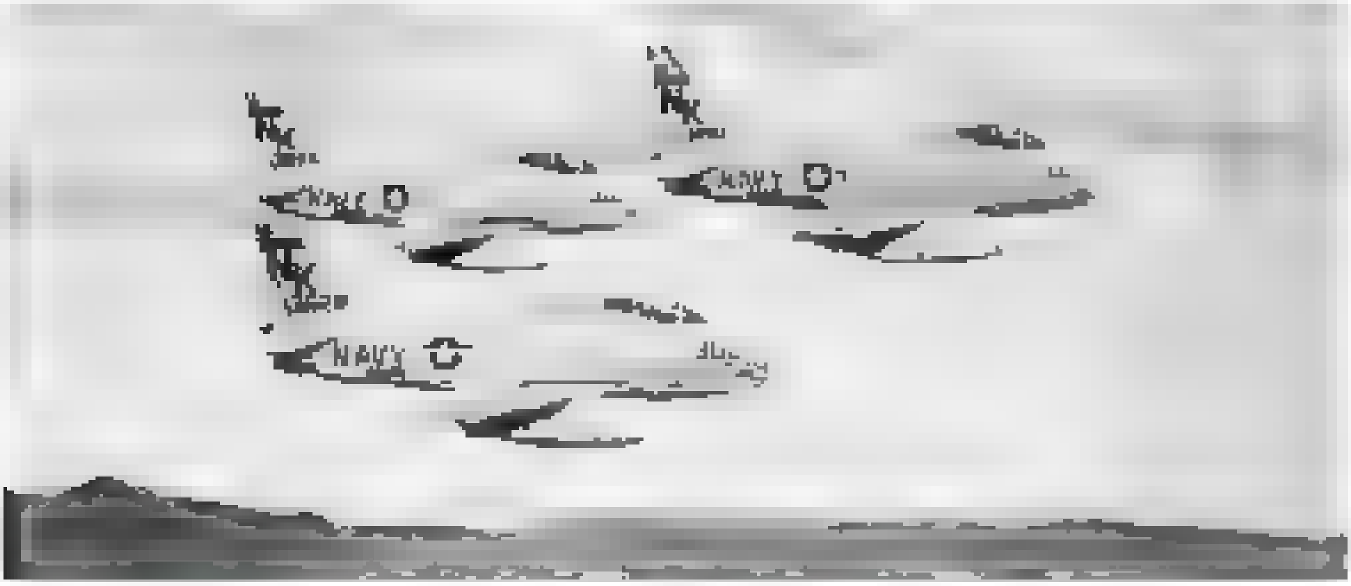
**Sep 1988:** *Nimitz*, with [illegible] embarked, operated in the Sea of Japan in support of the Summer Olympic Games in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Miramar | 1 Feb 1956 |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] |

### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR E. [illegible] [illegible] | 1 Feb 1956 |
| LCDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1957 |
| LCDR W. W. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1958 |
| CDR G. S. Hodgson | Jun 1959 |
| LCDR J. R. Faulk | [illegible] Dec 1960 |
| LCDR K. [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 196[illegible] |
| LCDR E. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| LCDR W. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | 11 Feb 196[illegible] |
| LCDR K. E. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| LCDR P. E. [illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Feb 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] R. [illegible] III | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Stephens | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Dec 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] A. Sanders | Jun 197[illegible] |
| LCDR R. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | Dec 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| LCDR W. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR P. [illegible] Campbell | 11 Dec 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR R. E. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Kendall | Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Phillip [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Steven E. [illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] 19[illegible] |



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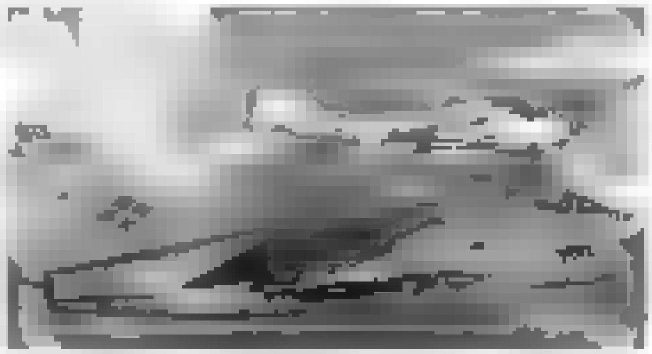

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| | 21 Jan 1987 | 17 May 1987 |
| NEM | 12 Mar 1979 | 9 Apr 1979 |
| | 26 Apr 1980 | 04 Aug 1980 |
| | 12 Aug 1980 | 19 Aug 1980 |
| NUC | 02 Aug 1964 | 05 Aug 1964 |
| | 10 Jan 1966 | 06 Aug 1966 |
| | 8 May 1967 | 26 Nov 1967 |
| PUC | 22 Oct 1971 | [illegible] Jun 1972 |
| RVNGC | 29 Jan 1966 | |
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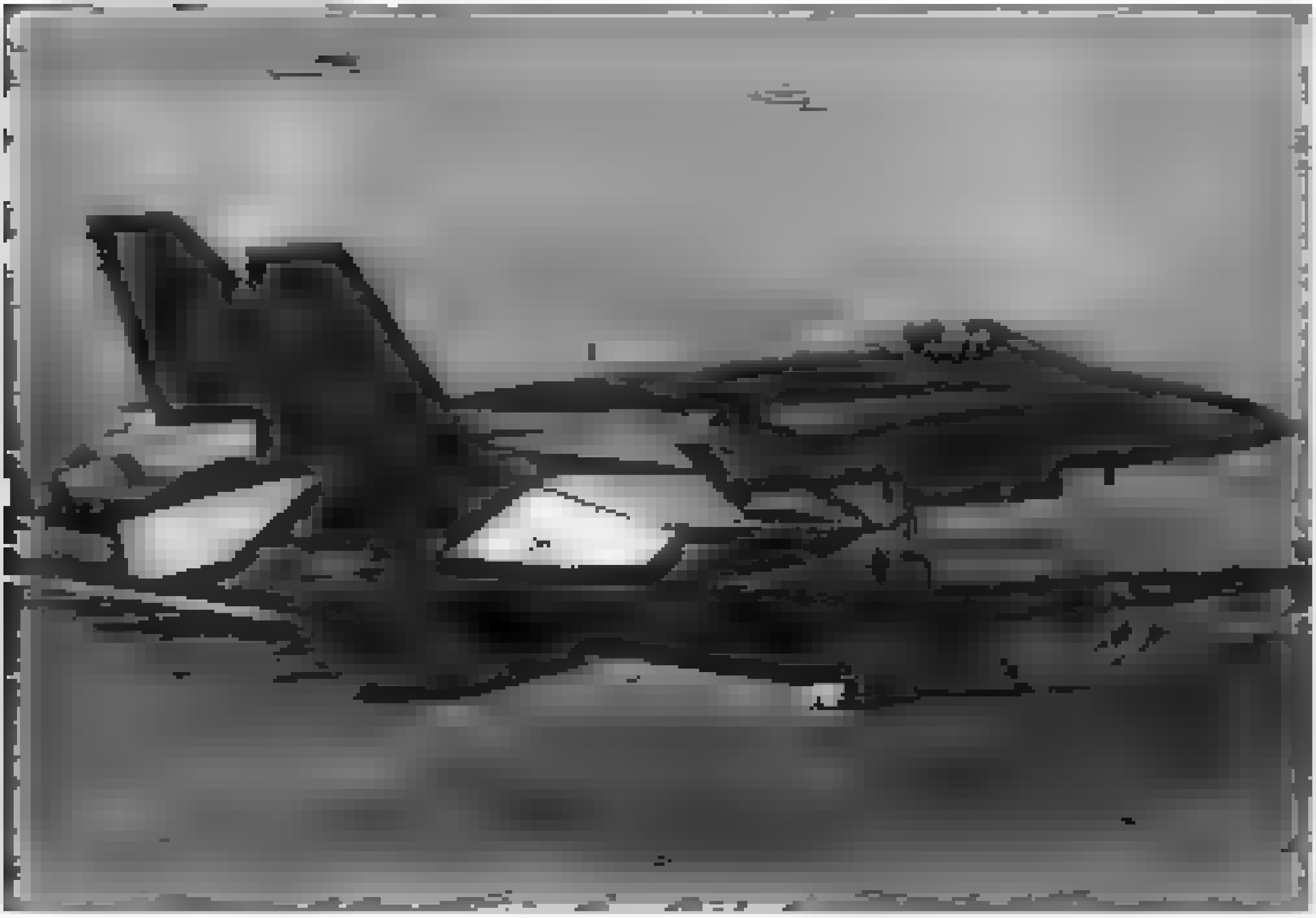

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# VFA-147

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nicknames

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## Chronology of Significant Events

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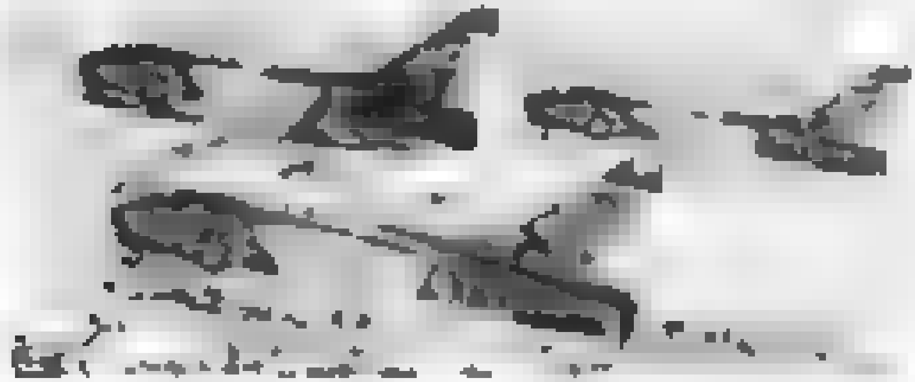

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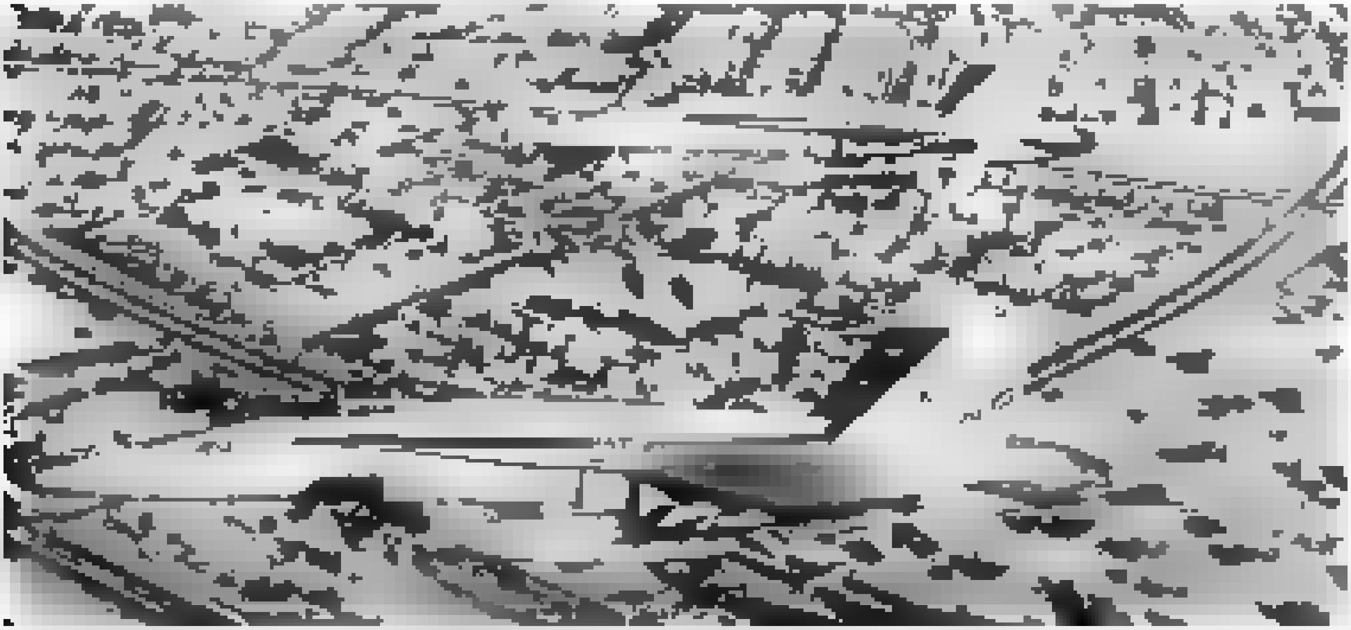

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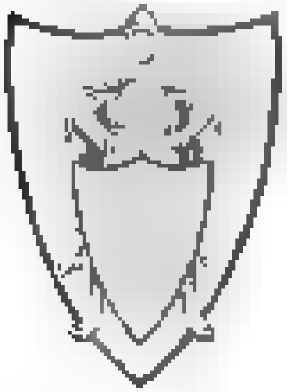
# VFA-151

## Lineage

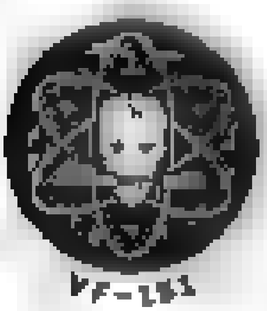
Established as Fighter Squadron TWENTY THREE (VF-23) on 6 August 1948.

Redesignated Fighter Squadron ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE (VF-151) on 23 February 1959.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE (VFA-151) on 1 June 1986. The first squadron to be assigned the VF-151 designation.



The squadron's first insignia, the knight and shield design.



The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible]

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] August 1949. It was for the knight and shield design. Colors: large white shield outlined in black; dark blue helmet outlined in black with red plume [illegible] simple [illegible] with a green [illegible] and around the waist and over the shoulder [illegible] black [illegible] small black [illegible] in black; inside the [illegible] outer circle of white and [illegible] circle of green; lightning bolt gold outlined in black with red points.

A new insignia was approved by CNO on 29 [illegible] 1955. Colors for the skull insignia: [illegible] black [illegible] outlined in [illegible] skull with black teeth and [illegible] The squadron continues to use this insignia following its redesignation to VF-151 and VFA-151.

Nickname: Fire Blazers, [illegible] 1950.

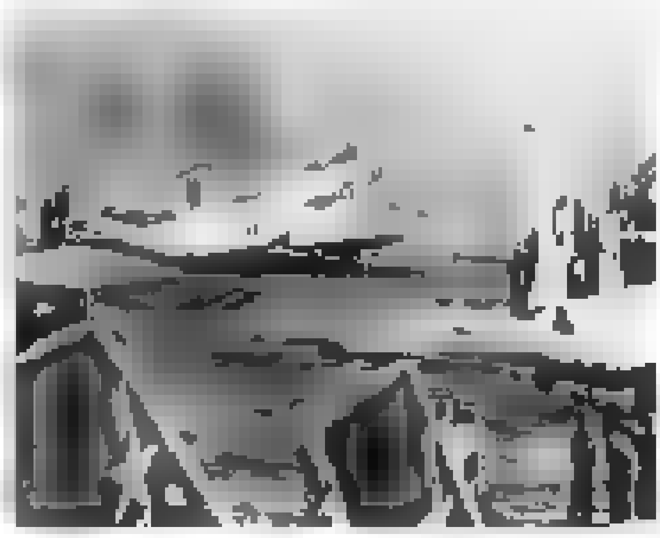
[illegible] present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

5 Sep 1950: The squadron flew combat missions in support of the amphibious landings at Inchon, Korea.

Aug 1952: Squadron aircraft participated in joint operations with the U.S. Air Force, striking targets in Pyongyang and the surrounding area.

Mar 1954: The squadron was deployed to the western Pacific during Essex's [illegible] when the carrier was ordered to the vicinity of the coast of Vietnam during the Viet Minh's assault against the French at Dien Bien Phu.



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Aug–Sep 1958: The squadron flew missions in the Taiwan Straits after the Chinese Communist bombardment of Quemoy Island.

Jan 1964: [illegible] conducted operations in the South China Sea after Pathet Lao forces captured strategic positions in Laos.

Mar 1965: The squadron participated in Rolling Thunder operations, the [illegible] bombing of military targets in North Vietnam.

24 Jul 1967: The squadron's commanding officer, Commander R. [illegible] and his RIO, Lieutenant (jg) R. [illegible] were shot down by a surface-to-air missile while on a mission over North Vietnam. [illegible] 1973 [illegible] RIO [illegible]

Mar 1968: [illegible] off the coast of Korea following the capture of Pueblo (AGER 2) by North Korea.

Mar [illegible] 1972: The squadron [illegible] in Linebacker operations, strikes against targets in North Vietnam [illegible] North Vietnam [illegible] South Vietnam.

Apr–May 1975: Squadron aircraft participated in

Vietnam Frequent Wind, the evacuation of American personnel from Saigon, South Vietnam, as the South fell to the Communists.

**Aug–Sep 1976:** Embarked in *Midway* [illegible] the squadron conducted flight operations near the Korean Peninsula following the murder of [illegible] military personnel in the Korean DMZ by North Koreans.

**Apr–May 1979:** *Midway*, with [illegible] embarked, deployed to the Gulf of Aden to relieve [illegible] [illegible] and maintain [illegible] presence following the outbreak of fighting between North and South Yemen and the fall of the Shah of Iran.

**Nov 1979–Feb 1980:** Following the seizure of the American Embassy in Teheran and the taking of American hostages in [illegible], *Midway*, with [illegible] embarked, proceeded to the [illegible] Sea and remained on station until relieved in early February 1980.

**May–Jun 1980:** *Midway*, with [illegible] embarked, operated off the coast of Korea due to the unrest in South Korea and the massacre of several hundred people in the town of Kwangju.

**Dec [illegible]:** Following [illegible] [illegible] the squadron [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] Korea [illegible] the [illegible] attacked.

**Apr–Nov 1986:** [illegible] squadron [illegible] [illegible] transition training to the F/A-18 Hornet. The squadron's new Hornets were flown to Japan between [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] fighter squadrons to transition to the F/A-18 [illegible] redesignated a strike fighter squadron.

**Sep 1988:** During the Summer Olympics in Seoul, South Korea, the squadron was embarked in *Midway* and operating in the Sea of Japan to demonstrate support for a peaceful Olympics.

**Dec 1989:** *Midway*, with [illegible] embarked, maintained station off the coast of the Philippines during an attempted coup in that country.

**Jan 1991–Mar 1991:** The squadron flew missions in support of Operation Desert Storm [illegible] American and Allied forces [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] missions [illegible] targets in Iraq [illegible] part of [illegible] [illegible] Iraq [illegible] its withdrawal from Kuwait.

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## Home Port Assignments

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| NAAS Miramar | 15 Aug 19[illegible] |
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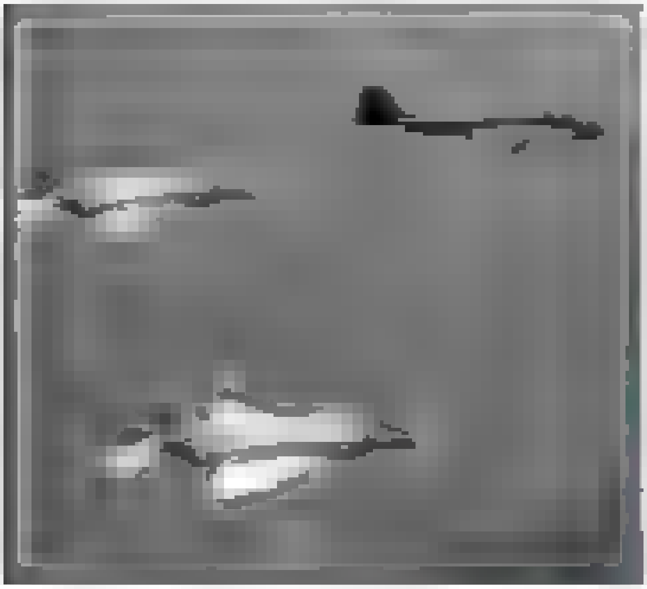

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## Commanding Officers

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| LCDR [illegible] E. Russell | Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR R. [illegible] | Jan 19[illegible] |
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| LCDR William [illegible] | Feb 19[illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] A. Knight | Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR R. [illegible] | Jun 19[illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] E. Keene | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| CDR Eugene [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR Russell [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Mar 19[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas A. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | 15 Aug 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Dec 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Jan 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | Aug 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | 5 Jul 19[illegible] |

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[illegible]

**Major Overseas Deployments**

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Type Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac Korea |
| [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Oct [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments—Continued

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4B | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| 29 [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1975 | [illegible] Feb 1975 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1975 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1975 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] 1976 | [illegible] Apr 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1976 | [illegible] 1976 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1977 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] 1977 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| 30 Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4N | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] 1978 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1979 | [illegible] 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Aug 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1980 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] 1980 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4J | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] Feb 1981 | [illegible] 1981 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] 1981 | [illegible] 1981 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1981 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1982 | [illegible] 1982 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1982 | [illegible] 1982 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | [illegible] WestPac IO |
| [illegible] 1983 | [illegible] Aug 1983 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1983 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1983 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1984 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] 1985 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] 1985 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] 1986 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1987 | [illegible] 1987 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1988 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] Feb 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1989 | [illegible] Apr 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1989 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| 15 Aug 1989 | [illegible] Dec 1989 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac IO |
| 20 Feb 1990 | 06 Apr 1990 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| 02 Oct 1990 | [illegible] Apr 1991 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac IO/<br>Persian Gulf |

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### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] ALAMEDA | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | NL | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments—Continued

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | NF | [illegible] |

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[illegible]

[illegible]

## Unit Awards Received

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| NUC | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| KPUC | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| KSM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AFEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| NEM | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | 15 [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | |
| | [illegible] 1968 | |
| | 28 [illegible] 1968 | |
| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | [illegible] Dec 1968 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1968 | [illegible] Dec 1968 |
| | 4 Dec 1968 | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1969 | 03 Jan 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | 22 Jan 1969 | |
| | [illegible] Jan 1969 | |
| | 26 Jan 1969 | |
| | [illegible] Feb 1969 | 20 Feb 1969 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | 9 [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | 30 Mar 1972 | 5 Jul 1972 |
| VNSM | 04 Jul 1965 | 24 Jul 1965 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1965 | [illegible] 1965 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1965 | 5 [illegible] 1965 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1966 | 4 Jul 1966 |
| | 7 Jul 1966 | 4 Aug 1966 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1966 | 01 Oct 1966 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | 2[illegible] Aug 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| | [illegible] 1967 | [illegible] 1968 |
| | 15 Jan 1968 | [illegible] Feb 1968 |
| | [illegible] 1968 | 4 [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1969 | 4 [illegible] 1969 |
| | 26 [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] Dec 1969 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] Apr 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | 11 Jun 1970 |
| | [illegible] 1971 | 10 Jun 1971 |
| | 29 Jun 1971 | 20 Jul 1971 |
| | 3[illegible] Jul 1971 | [illegible] Aug 1971 |
| | 26 Sep 1971 | [illegible] 1971 |
| | 11 [illegible] 1972 | 11 Jun 1972 |
| | [illegible] Jun 1972 | 1[illegible] Jul 1972 |
| | 16 Jul 1972 | [illegible] Aug 1972 |
| | 23 Aug 1972 | 11 [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1972 | [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] 1972 | [illegible] 1972 |
| | [illegible] 197[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 197[illegible] |
| | [illegible] Dec 1972 | |
| | 04 Jan 1974 | 24 Jan 1973 |
| | [illegible] Feb 197[illegible] | 19 Feb 197[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1984 | [illegible] 198[illegible] |

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# VFA-161

## Lineage

[illegible]

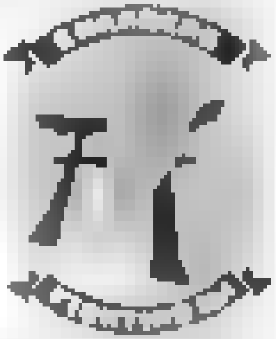
[illegible] DRED SIXTY ONE (VFA-161) on [illegible] June 1986.

Disestablished on 1 April 1988. The first squadron to [illegible]

### Squadron Insignia and Nickname

[illegible] by CNO on 14 June [illegible]

[illegible]



[illegible] by CNO on 9 January [illegible]

### Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible]

[illegible] Lieutenant James M. Bell also downed the other MiG [illegible]

[illegible]

in South Korea [illegible] and the [illegible] people in the town of [illegible].

**Dec [illegible]**—[illegible] the squadron operated [illegible] until the [illegible] subsided.

**May [illegible]**—The squadron [illegible] to NAS Lemoore for transition training [illegible] redesignation to a Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible] was one of [illegible] squadrons to be assigned the [illegible] designation.

[illegible] the squadron [illegible] status [illegible].

[illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS [illegible] Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] |
| NS Yokosuka / NAF Atsugi & [illegible] | [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Albert B. [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| LCDR Joseph F. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Walter T. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR Warren [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 28 [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| LCDR Roger E. Sheets | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| LCDR Sherman W. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Earl W. [illegible]nell | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Rollins | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Howard | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] W. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Thomas [illegible] | Sep 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Hodges | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Joseph [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Williamson | [illegible] |
| LCDR Robert P. Patton | Jun 19[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 19[illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | 19[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

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| [illegible] Jun 196[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 01 Aug 1965 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jul 1967 | 06 Apr 1968 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep 1968 | 18 Apr 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Sep 1969 | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
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| [illegible] 1975 | [illegible] Feb 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] Mar 1976 | 26 Apr 1976 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 01 Nov 1976 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1979 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 07 Apr 1979 | [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| 20 Aug 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1980 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
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# VFA-192

## Lineage

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## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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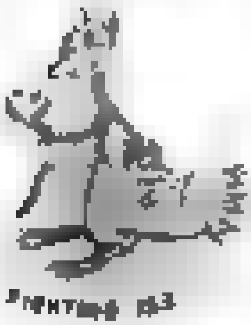

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## *Chronology of Significant Events*

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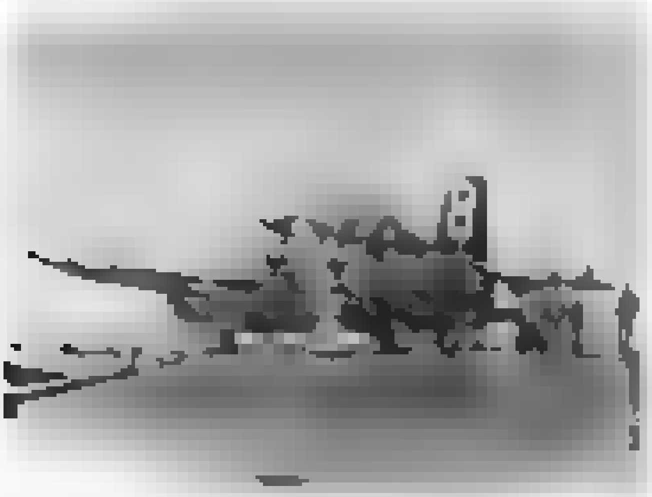

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capital city of Pyongyang dur[illegible]

2d and 26 Apr [illegible]

Commander Michael [illegible] Estocin, a [illegible]

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Warfare and one air Wing deployed on a [illegible]

Jul–Aug 1985 *Ranger* (CV 61) [illegible]

[illegible]

via Hawaii and Wake Island for deployment to MCAS Iwakuni, Japan.

Jun–Dec 1985: While deployed to [illegible] as part of [illegible], the squadron also conducted operations from NAF Kadena and NAS Cubi Point.

Nov 1986: The squadron flew its [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] upon its operations with CVW-5 and Midway.

Nov 1987–Feb 1988: The squadron participated in Earnest Will operations, the escorting of reflagged Kuwaiti tankers through the Persian Gulf.

Sep 1988: During the summer Olympics in Seoul, Korea, the squadron was embarked on Midway and operating in the Sea of Japan to demonstrate U.S. support for a peaceful Olympics.

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Nov 1990–Jan 1991: The squadron flew missions in support of Operation Desert Shield, the build up of American and Allied forces to counter a threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia by Iraq and as part of an economic blockade of Iraq to force its withdrawal from Kuwait.

Squadron [illegible]

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### Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda, Calif. | 29 Jan 19[illegible] |
| NAAS [illegible] | 11 Jun 19[illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Aug 19[illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | Jul 19[illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | Jan 195[illegible] |
| NAS Atsugi, Japan (NAF Atsugi) | |
| & Alameda | Jul 1960 |

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### Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Kenneth [illegible] | 29 Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR William [illegible] Wright | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| LCDR Richard E. Brown | [illegible] 19[illegible] |

### Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR Francis [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Meter | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| CDR Elwin A. Parker | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| LCDR John [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Winfield | Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR Frank E. [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| LCDR William R. [illegible] | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] F. Baumgartner | [illegible] 195[illegible] |
| CDR William E. [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jul 195[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jan 196[illegible] |
| CDR Benjamin W. Adams | Jan 196[illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] Summers | Feb 196[illegible] |
| CDR Keith [illegible] | Feb 196[illegible] |
| CDR William [illegible] Burger | [illegible] Dec 196[illegible] |
| CDR Eugene E. [illegible] | Dec 196[illegible] |
| CDR Allen E. Hill | Dec 196[illegible] |
| CDR Earl [illegible] | Dec 196[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] E. Eggert | Dec 19[illegible] |
| CDR Joseph N. [illegible] | Dec 196[illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] Rogers | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| CDR Joseph [illegible] | Jan 19[illegible] |
| CDR John [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas B. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 198[illegible] |
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| CDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Engelhardt | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR John F. Williams | [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR John A. Pettit | Jan 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] B. [illegible] III | Jan 199[illegible] |

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## Aircraft Assignment

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## Major Overseas Deployments

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## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | [illegible] | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
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| [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Feb [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | CVW-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
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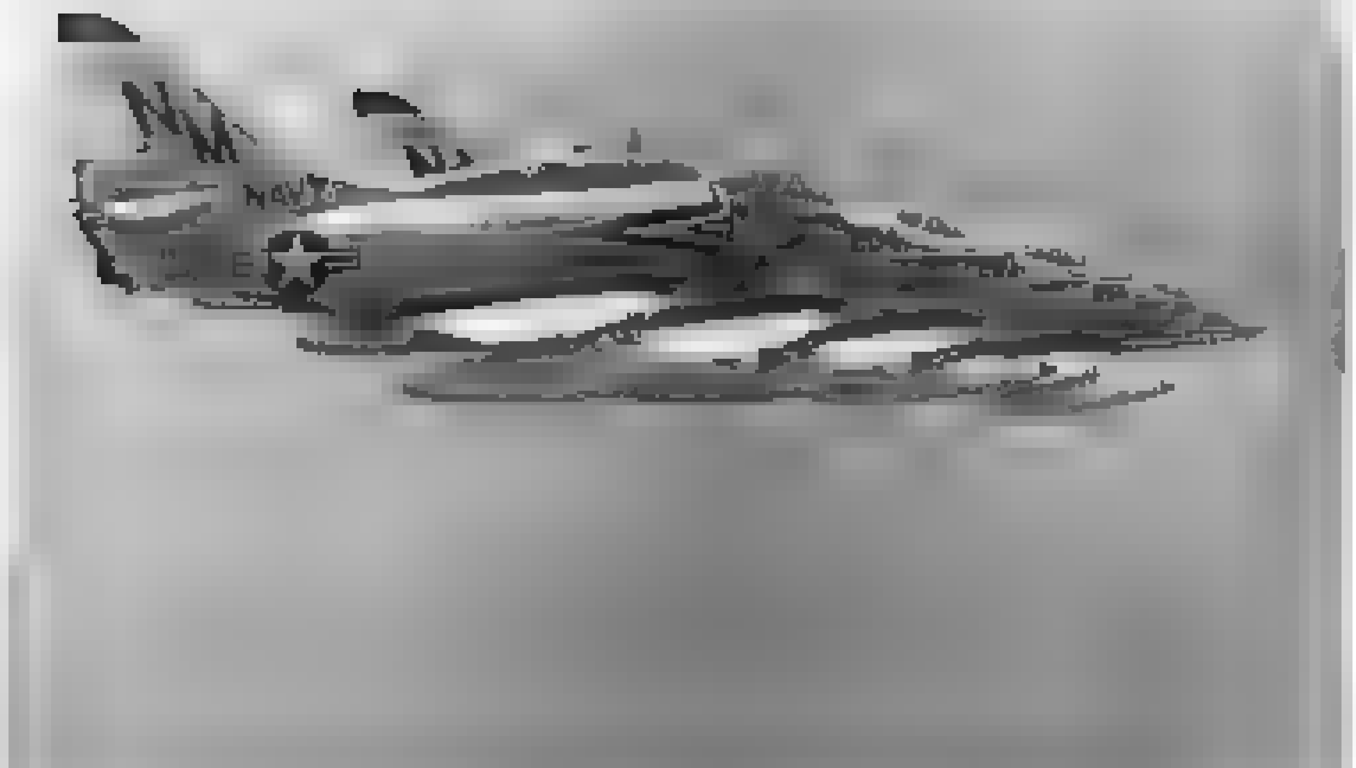

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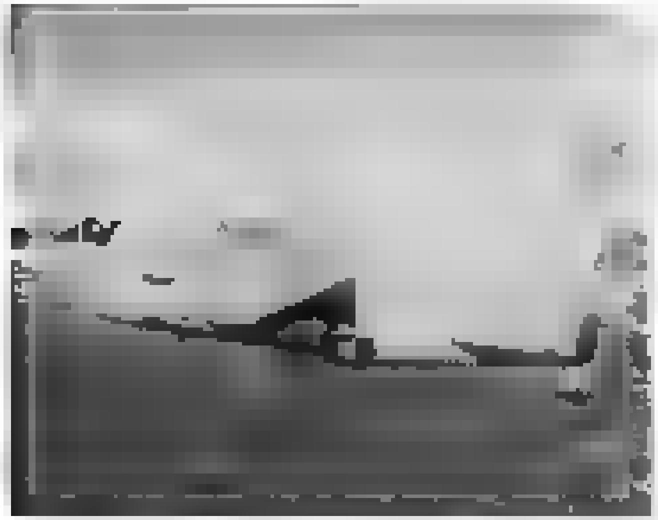

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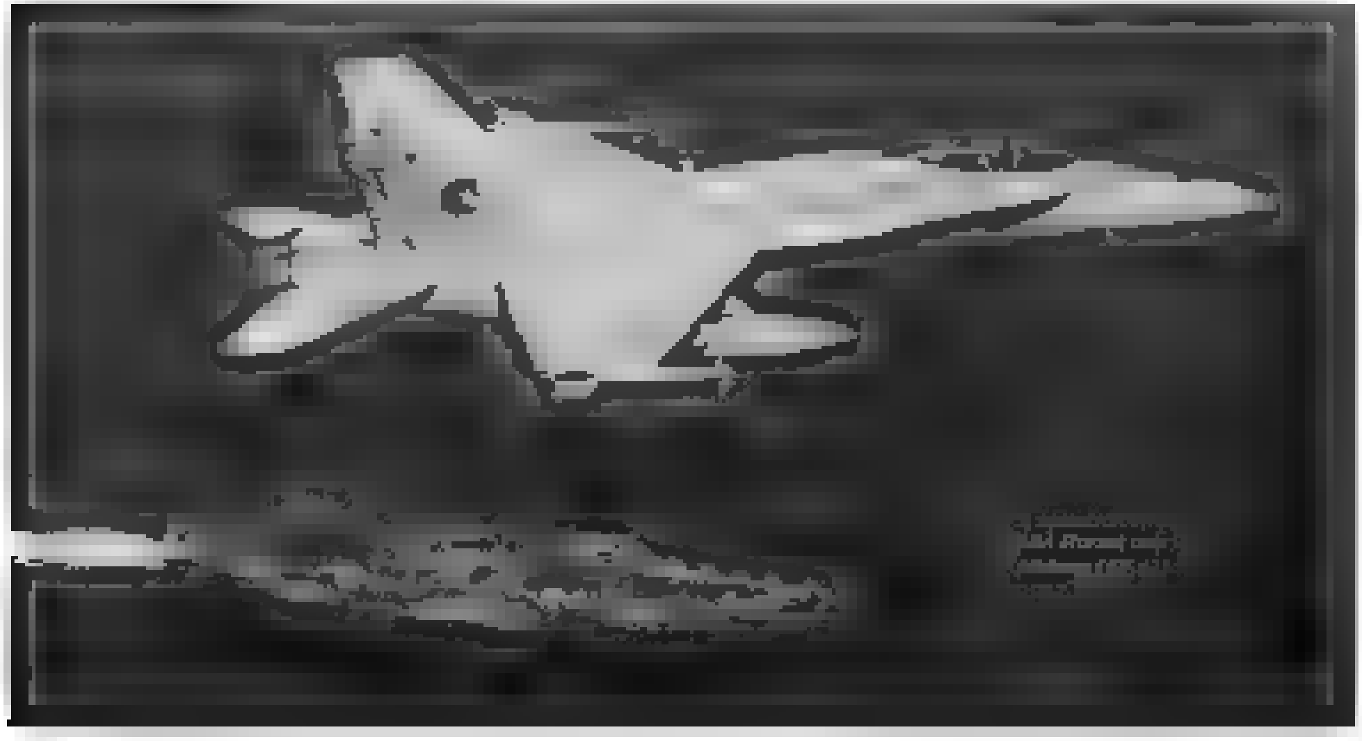

# VFA-195

## Lineage

Established as Torpedo Squadron [illegible] on [illegible] August 194[illegible].

Redesignated Attack Squadron [illegible]

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Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible] April 198[illegible]. [illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

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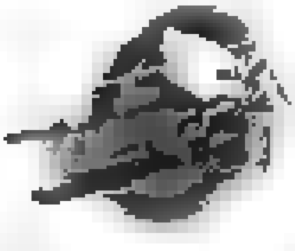

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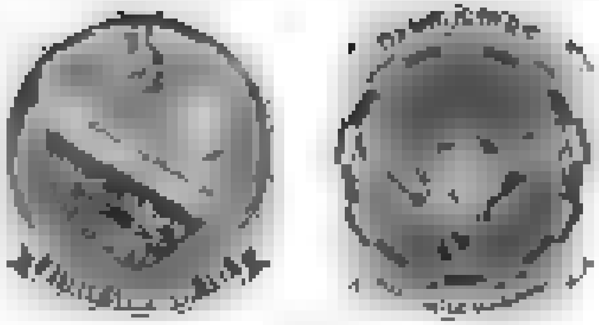

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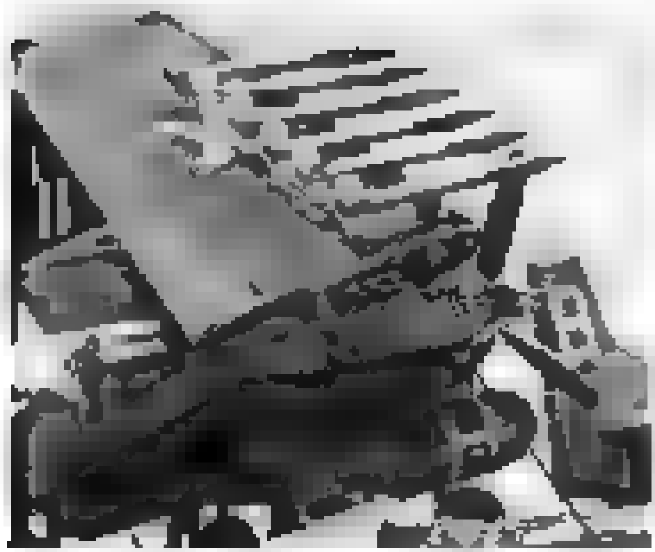
## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Jul 1944: The squadron flew its first [illegible] strike against [illegible]

Jul [illegible] 1944: The squadron flew [illegible] strikes against [illegible] Palau [illegible]

24 Oct 1944: Squadron aircraft participated in [illegible]

25 Oct 1944: Squadron aircraft participated in the Battle of Cape Engano [illegible] Northern Force [illegible] The following squadron personnel were awarded the [illegible] for their actions during the battle: [illegible]



[illegible] squadron [illegible] [illegible] during [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] squadron [illegible]

Ken[illegible] [illegible] Lieutenant [illegible] E. [illegible] and Ensign [illegible] William F. [illegible] Frederick [illegible] and Warner W[illegible].

5 [illegible] 194[illegible] Squadron aircraft [illegible] in attacks on the [illegible] Japanese fleet [illegible] which was making a dash out of Manila Bay. The [illegible] was [illegible] Lieutenant (jg) Robert F. [illegible] E. [illegible] were awarded [illegible] Navy Cross for [illegible] in this engagement. Lieutenant [illegible] awarded the Navy Cross [illegible] the [illegible].

8 Oct 1950 The squadron flew its first combat mission since the end of World War II, flying [illegible] Korea.

Mar 1953 The squadron's AD [illegible] made a [illegible] against the [illegible] Reservoir [illegible]. The purpose of the mission was to destroy the [illegible] the level of the [illegible] against the enemy advance. It [illegible] this mission and the squadron [illegible].

23 Jun 1952 The squadron, along with units from [illegible] other [illegible] groups [illegible] strikes against the [illegible] hydroelectric plant [illegible] Korean [illegible]. The squadron [illegible] participated in attacks against other hydroelectric plants the following day.

[illegible] Jul 1952 Squadron aircraft participated in one of the largest [illegible] Air Force and Marine [illegible] industrial targets in North Korea's capital city of Pyongyang.

Aug–Oct 1954 The squadron participated in special operations [illegible] support of [illegible] operations in [illegible] and [illegible].

20 Apr 1967 [illegible] commanding officer of the squadron [illegible] was awarded the Silver Star for his [illegible] in planning [illegible] strike against Haiphong thermal power plant and [illegible] the mission without the loss of [illegible] aircraft.

Mar 1968 [illegible] the squadron [illegible] operations [illegible] Japan. These operations [illegible] following the capture of Pueblo [illegible] by North Korea [illegible].

[illegible] Mar 1972 During [illegible] operations [illegible] Kitty Hawk [illegible] Philippines, [illegible] the squadron [illegible] commanding officer [illegible] water [illegible].

Apr 1972 Following the [illegible] invasion of South Vietnam the squadron [illegible] against [illegible] targets in North Vietnam.

9 May 1972 [illegible] squadron aircraft participated in the mining of North Vietnamese harbors.

[illegible] May 1972 [illegible] strikes against targets in North Vietnam during the [illegible] period.

[illegible] Nov 197[illegible] [illegible] Kitty Hawk [illegible] deployment [illegible]. This [illegible].

[illegible] Aug 1983 Ranger [illegible] ordered [illegible] the coast of [illegible] in response to [illegible].

[illegible] possible [illegible] to Nicaragua.

Oct 1983–Jan 1984: *Ranger*, with [illegible] embarked, was extended on station in the Arabian Sea due to the Iranian threat to block oil exports from the Persian Gulf.

Nov 1986: The squadron flew its [illegible] from [illegible] to NAF Atsugi, Japan, for [illegible] with CVW-5 and *Midway*, [illegible] home ported at NS Yokosuka, Japan.

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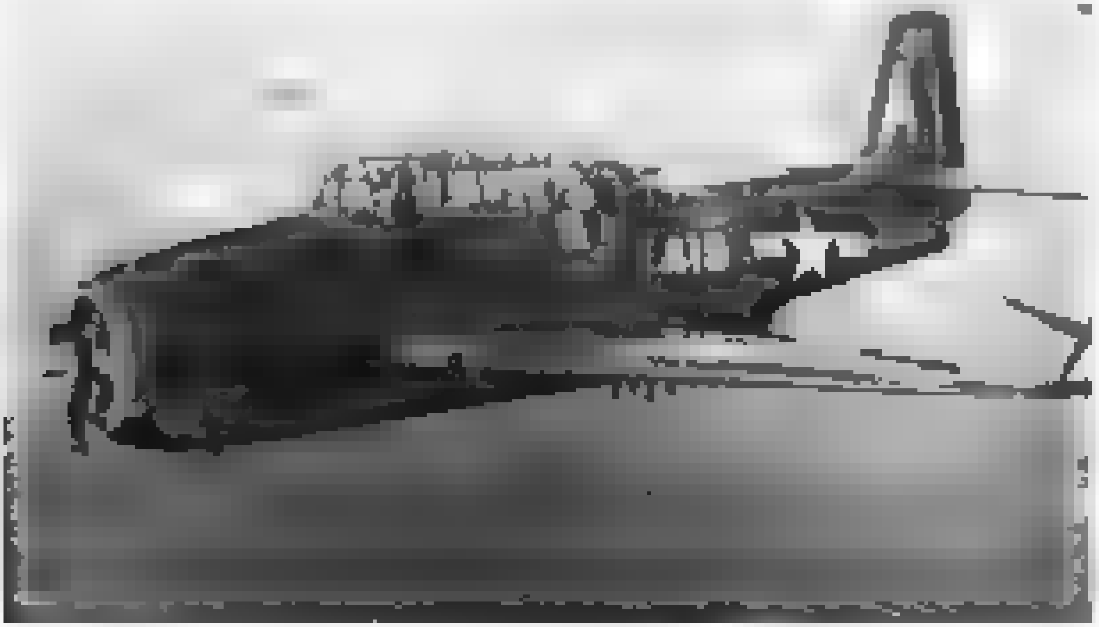

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## Home Port Assignments

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| NAS Kahului | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS San Diego | Dec [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| N[illegible] Base | [illegible] Feb [illegible] |
| NAS Kahului | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| NAS Barbers Point | [illegible] |
| NAS Alameda | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| NAS Moffett Field | [illegible] |
| NAS Lemoore | Dec 195[illegible] |
| NS Yokosuka, Japan (NAF Atsugi & [illegible]) | [illegible] 198[illegible] |

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## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LT [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| LCDR Albert P. [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |

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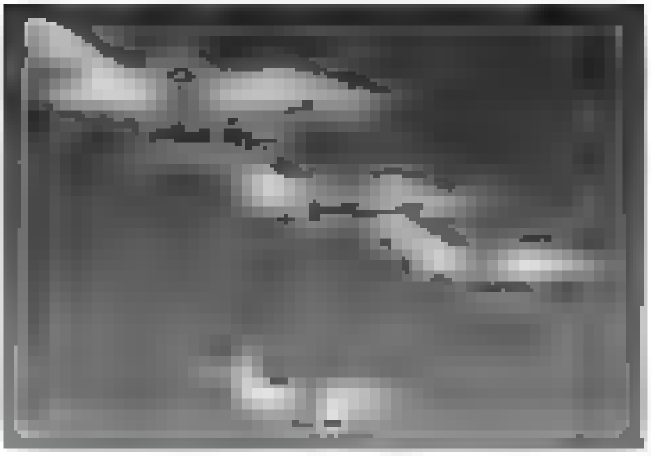

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## Aircraft Assignment

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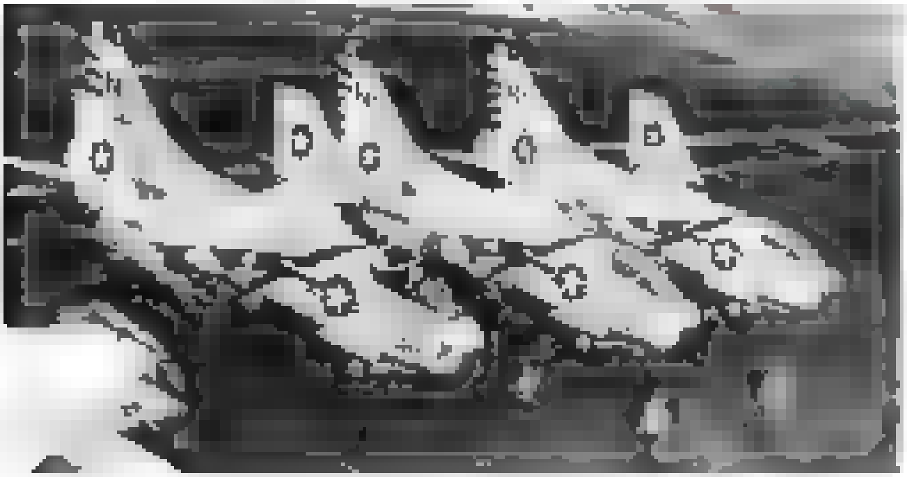

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### *Major Overseas Deployments*

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | TBM | Pacific |
| 08 Mar 1946 | 19 Aug 1946 | CVG-19 | CV-3[illegible] | TBM-3E | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] Jun 1950 | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible]-37 | AD-[illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Mar 1952 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible]-19 | [illegible]-37 | AD-[illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Sep 1953 | 22 Apr 1954 | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1955 | [illegible] Sep 1955 | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 195[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 195[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1959 | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | AD-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 195[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A1[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A1[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 196[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 1965 | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1968 | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A-4[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 1969 | [illegible] 196[illegible] | [illegible]-19 | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac/Vietnam |
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| [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac |
| [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | WestPac |
| [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr 1981 | [illegible] Nov 1981 | CVW-[illegible] | CV-66 | A-7E | Med/IO |
| Jul 198[illegible] | [illegible] Feb 198[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | A-7E | [illegible]<br>WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac[illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1987 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] Oct 1987 | [illegible] Apr 1988 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 1988 | [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | 24 Feb 1989 | [illegible]-5 | [illegible]-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1989 | 09 Apr 1989 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] 198[illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1989 | [illegible] 1989 | [illegible]-5 | [illegible] | F/A-18A | WestPac/IO |
| 20 Feb 1990 | 06 Apr 1990 | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac |
| 02 Oct 1990 | [illegible] Apr 199[illegible] | CVW-5 | CV-41 | F/A-18A | WestPac/IO/<br>Persian Gulf |

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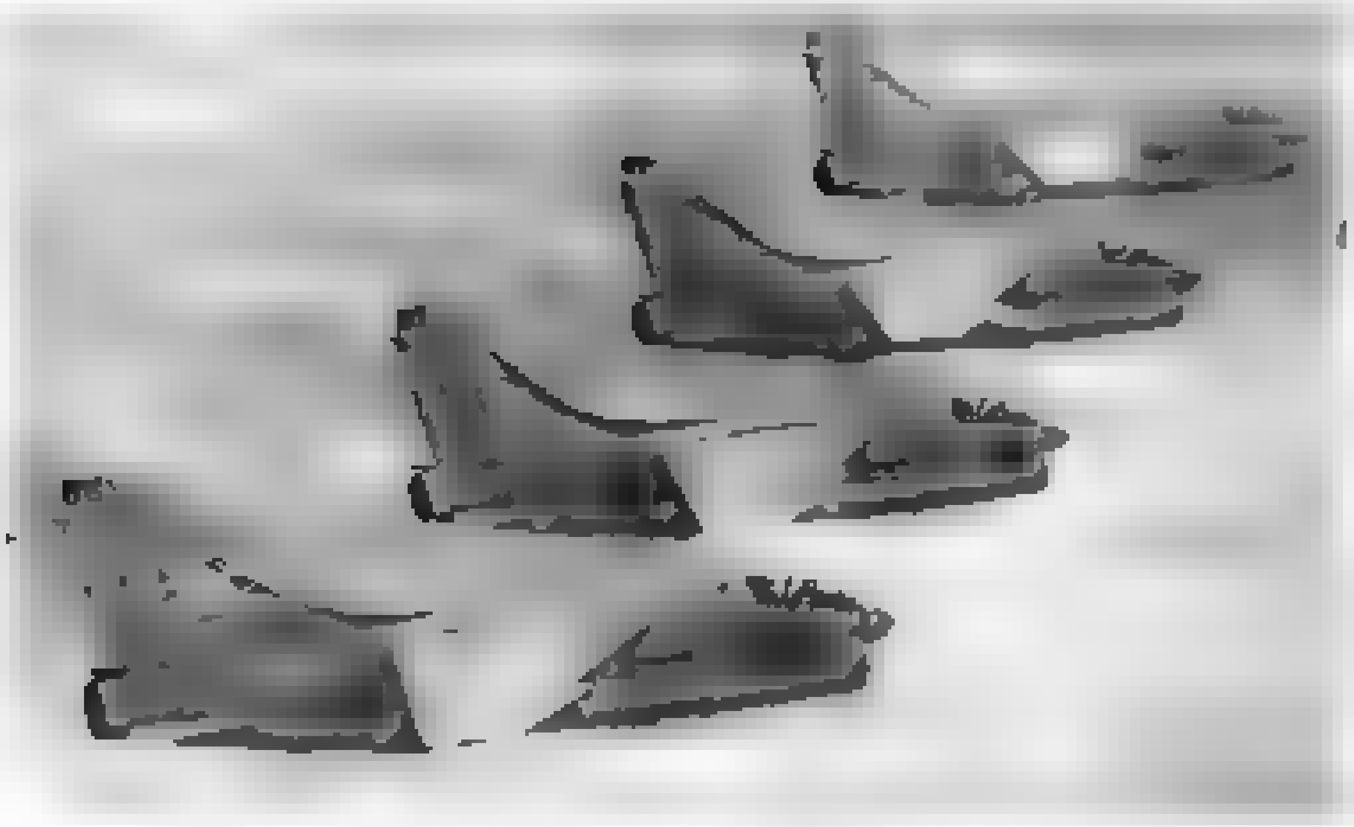

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## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
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## Air Wing Assignments—Continued

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | 01 Jan 1970 | 30 Jun 1971 |
| PUC | 18 Jul 1944 | 05 Aug 1944 |
| | 06 Sep 1944 | 06 Nov 1944 |
| Campaign Medal | | |
| Asiatic-Pacific | 18 Jul 1944 | 27 Aug 1944 |
| | 31 Aug 1944 | 14 Oct 1944 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| SASM | [illegible] 1990 | [illegible] 1991 |
| KLM | 17 Jan 1991 | 28 Feb 1991 |
| NUC | 05 Dec 1950 | 10 Aug 1951 |
| | 5 Apr 1952 | 18 Oct 1952 |
| | 28 Oct 1966 | 21 May 1967 |
| | 26 Jan 1968 | 25 Jul 1968 |
| | 07 Dec 1970 | 24 Jun 1971 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 17 Jan 1991 | 07 Feb 1991 |
| KPUC | 05 Dec 1950 | 10 Aug 1951 |
| KSM | 01 Dec 1950 | 31 May 1951 |
| | 4 Apr 1952 | 24 Apr 1952 |
| | 30 Apr 1952 | 21 Oct 1952 |
| AFEM | [illegible] 1958 | 11 Apr [illegible] |
| | 26 Apr 1960 | 27 Apr 1960 |
| | 22 May 1961 | 27 May 1961 |
| | 05 Mar 1964 | 14 Mar 1964 |
| | 12 May 1964 | 14 May 1964 |
| | 05 Jun 1964 | 10 Jun 1964 |
| | 14 Jun 1964 | 17 Jun 1964 |
| | [illegible] Aug 1964 | 06 Nov 1964 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 26 May 1965 | 01 Jun 1965 |
| | 17 Mar 1968 | 21 Mar 1968 |
| | [illegible] Sep 1969 | |
| | 28 Sep 1969 | 04 Oct 1969 |
| MUC | 05 May 1969 | 03 Nov 1969 |
| | 01 Jan 1987 | 30 Jun 1988 |
| | 07 Sep 1989 | 25 Oct 1989 |
| NEM | 09 May 1981 | 18 Oct 1981 |
| RVNGC | 9 Oct 1965 | 20 Oct 1965 |
| | 24 Oct 1965 | 28 Oct 1965 |
| | 22 Nov 1965 | |
| | 24 Nov 1965 | |
| | 06 Dec 1965 | |
| | 15 Nov 1966 | 16 Nov 1966 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] 1966 |
| | [illegible] 1966 | |
| | 15 Dec 1966 | |
| | 06 Jan 1967 | |

## Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 09 Jan 1967 | |
| | 30 Jan 1967 | |
| | 20 Feb 1967 | |
| | [illegible] Feb 1967 | |
| | 03 Mar 1967 | [illegible] Mar 1967 |
| | 06 Mar 1967 | [illegible] Mar 1967 |
| | [illegible] Mar 1967 | |
| | 30 Mar 1967 | |
| | [illegible] Apr 1967 | |
| | 5 Apr 1967 | |
| | 24 Apr 1967 | |
| | 26 Apr 1967 | |
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| | 31 Jan 1968 | 01 Feb 1968 |
| | [illegible] Feb 1968 | [illegible] Mar 1968 |
| | 27 Mar 1968 | 06 Apr 1968 |
| | 08 Apr 1968 | |
| | 26 Apr 1968 | |
| | 28 Apr 1968 | 01 May 1968 |
| | 08 May 1968 | |
| | [illegible] 1968 | |
| | [illegible] May 1968 | |
| | 02 Jun 1968 | |
| | [illegible] May 1969 | 01 Jun 1969 |
| | 15 Jun 1969 | 30 Jun 1969 |
| VNSM | 18 Jul 1965 | 3 Aug 1965 |
| | 10 Sep 1965 | 01 Oct 1965 |
| | 08 Oct 1965 | 29 Oct 1965 |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | 12 Nov 1966 | 18 Dec 1966 |
| | 05 Jan 1967 | 07 Feb 1967 |
| | 4 Feb 1967 | 16 Mar 1967 |
| | 28 Mar 1967 | 28 Apr 1967 |
| | 25 Jan 1968 | 04 Mar 1968 |
| | 25 Mar 1968 | 08 Apr 1968 |
| | 16 Apr 1968 | |
| | 24 Apr 1968 | 12 May 1968 |
| | 20 May 1968 | 4 Jun 1968 |
| | 25 Jun 1968 | 25 Jul 1968 |
| | 05 May 1969 | 04 Jun 1969 |
| | 15 Jun 1969 | [illegible] Jul 1969 |
| | [illegible] Jul 1969 | 30 Jul 1969 |
| | 14 Aug 1969 | 2 Sep 1969 |
| | 08 [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] 1969 |
| | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 |
| | 12 Jan 1971 | 04 Feb 1971 |
| | 19 Feb 1971 | 01 Apr 1971 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | 19 Apr 197[illegible] | 20 Apr 197[illegible] |
| | 05 Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] Mar 197[illegible] |
| | 29 Mar 197[illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| | 30 Mar 1972 | [illegible] Mar 1972 |
| | 10 Apr 1972 | [illegible] Apr 1972 |

### Unit Awards Received—Continued

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| | Jun 1972 | [illegible] Jun 1972 |
| | 10 Jun 1972 | 11 Jun 1972 |
| | Aug 1972 | 05 [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| | Sep 1972 | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| | Oct 1972 | [illegible] 197[illegible] |

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# VFA-203

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED THREE (VA-203) on 1 July 1970.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron TWO HUNDRED THREE (VFA-203) on [illegible] October [illegible]. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-203 and [illegible] designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by [illegible] on [illegible] 1970. Colors for the blue dolphin are as follows: a dark blue border with [illegible] upper [illegible] the background blue and [illegible] lower scroll was separated by a dark blue line; dark blue dolphin with white markings; blue scroll with dark blue outline and lettering.

The squadron's [illegible] insignia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Nickname: Blue Dolphins, 1970–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

1 Jul 1970: VA-203 was established as a reserve squadron under a new concept in the reorganization of the Naval Air Reserve Force. The reorganization was intended to make the reserve squadrons compatible with active duty units and to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force.

5–22 May 1972: The squadron deployed to [illegible] [illegible] to participate in exercise [illegible], designed to test multiservice operations under a unified command organization.

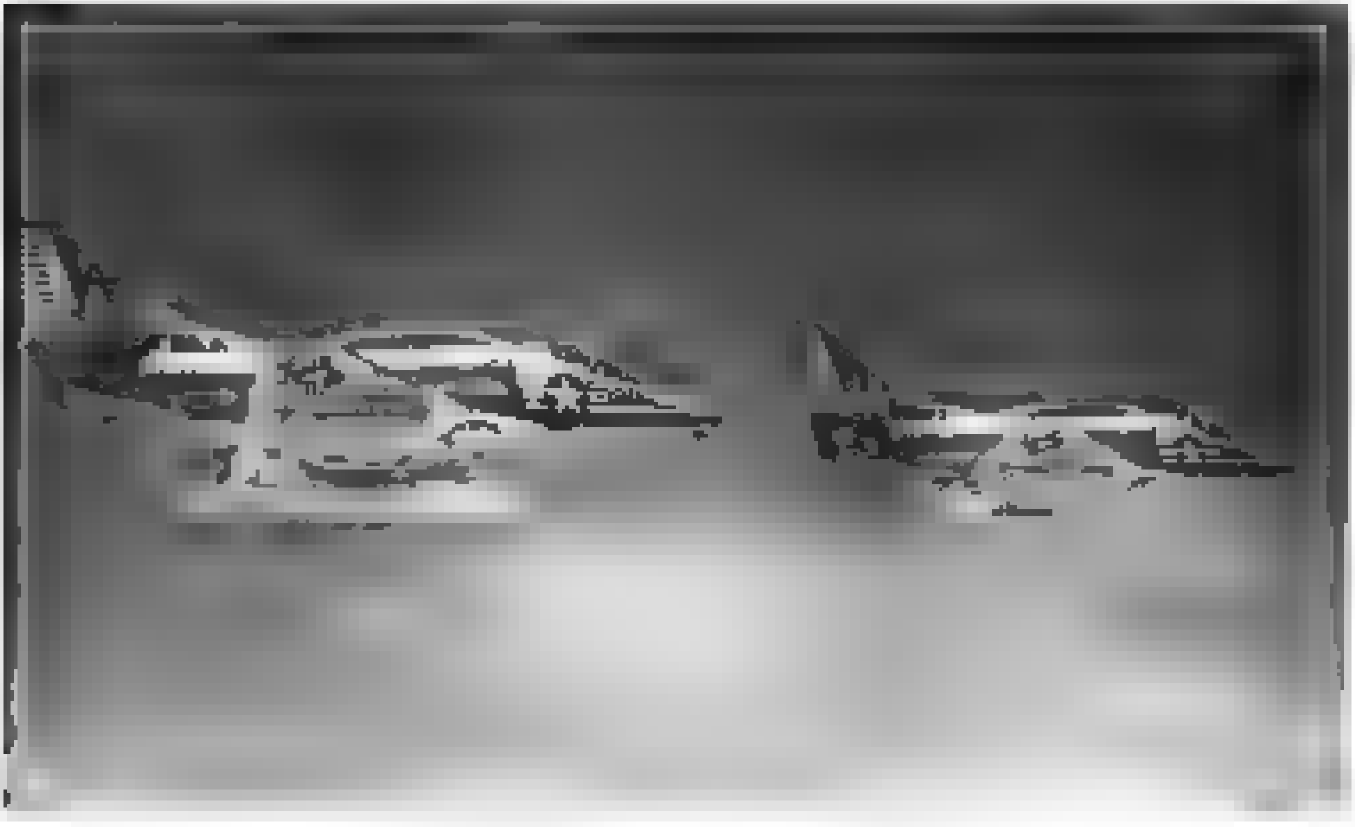
Feb 1980: The squadron participated in a combined NATO forces exercise conducted at NAS Bermuda, [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Jacksonville | 1 Jul 1970 |
| NAS Cecil Field | 1 Dec 197[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR Walter [illegible] III | 1 Jul 1970 |
| CDR James [illegible] | [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 20 Jan 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 4 Jan 197[illegible] |



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### *Commanding Officers*—Continued

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| CDR F. Francis Hughes | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

### *Commanding Officers*—Continued

| | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### *Aircraft Assignment*

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |

### *Air Wing Assignments*

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

[illegible]

# VFA-204

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED FOUR (VA-204) on 1 July 1970.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron TWO HUNDRED FOUR (VFA-204) on [illegible]. It was the first squadron to be assigned the VFA-204 designation.

The squadron's first insignia, [illegible] approved [illegible]

[illegible] squadron [illegible] insignia [illegible] August [illegible]

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The [illegible] squadron insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] August 19[illegible]. [illegible] the insignia [illegible] yellow background outlined in red; white [illegible] outlined in red with blue [illegible] green snake outlined in black with a black [illegible] on the nose; [illegible] white markings on the [illegible]; snake with green diamonds outlined and white; [illegible] the underside of the snake is yellow with black [illegible] stripes; white fangs outlined in black; red tongue within a dark pink mouth outlined in black; [illegible] with a red pupil; the entire snake is outlined in black.

Nickname: River Rattlers, 1970–present.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Jul 1970: VA-204 was one of [illegible] new squadrons established as part of a reorganization intended to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force.

May 1972: The squadron participated in exercise [illegible], designed to test military readiness under a unified command organization.

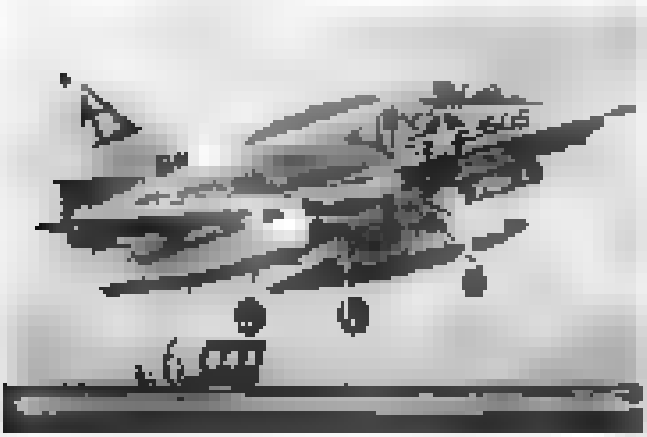
Feb 1980: VA-204 participated in a combined [illegible] exercise conducted near Bermuda called [illegible].

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Memphis | 1 Jul 1970 |
| NAS New Orleans | [illegible] 197[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR A. R. [illegible] Jr. | 1 Jul 1970 |
| CDR Theodore H. [illegible] | 1 Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR Sidney [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR Kenneth [illegible] | Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR James [illegible] | Feb 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 24 [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR James [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Edwin R. Phelps III | [illegible] |
| CDR Joseph [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CAPT Kenneth A. [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 198[illegible] |
| CDR Donald R. [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Robert [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] R. [illegible] | [illegible] 198[illegible] |
| CDR Keith R. [illegible] | Jul 198[illegible] |
| CDR Ronald [illegible] | Jul 19[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | Jul 19[illegible] |



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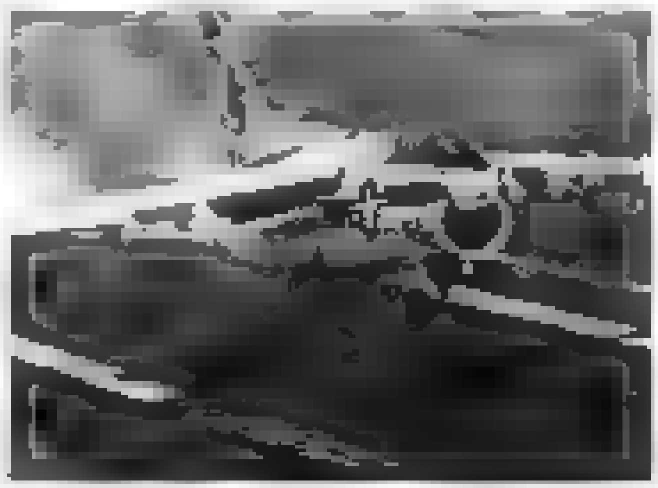

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## Aircraft Assignment

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Apr [illegible] |

## Air Wing Assignments

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| CVW-[illegible] | AF | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

[illegible]

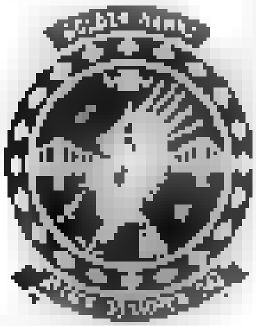
# VFA-303

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THREE HUNDRED THREE (VA-303) on 1 Jul 1970.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron THREE HUNDRED THREE (VFA-303) on [illegible] January 1984.

Disestablished on [illegible] December 1994. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-303 and VFA-303 designation.



VA-303's [illegible] insignia.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] February 1971. [illegible] the hawk's insignia [illegible] background [illegible] with [illegible] the [illegible] the gold [illegible] white and red [illegible] gold beak with black markings and a red lightning bolt emanating from [illegible] the [illegible] design is white. Blue scrolls [illegible] in gold with gold lettering.

A modification to the above insignia was approved by CNO on 2[illegible] April 198[illegible]. The badge design was retained in modern format with white markings, the [illegible] design was replaced by [illegible] White [illegible] and the Attack Squadron [illegible] designation [illegible] changed to Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible]. All the other colors remained the same as the previous insignia.

Modified VA-303 insignia [illegible] squadron's [illegible] to Strike Fighter Squadron [illegible].

Nickname: [illegible] 1970–1994.

## Chronology of Significant Events

Jul 1970: VA-303, a reserve squadron, established as part of a reorganization of the reserves intended to increase the combat readiness of the Naval Air Reserve Force.

Apr 1971: VA-303 was the first reserve squadron to transition to the A-7 [illegible].

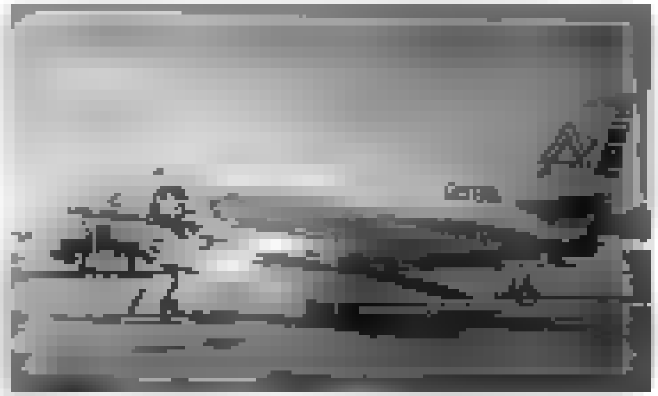
Aug 1975: The squadron deployed aboard Ranger [illegible] for the annual reserve [illegible] training [illegible] at [illegible] VA-303 [illegible] operational readiness exercise/inspection to ensure the squadron was [illegible] with [illegible] combat ready.

[illegible] Jul 1985: VFA-303 became the first reserve squadron to transition to the F/A-18 Hornet.

25 Sep–20 Nov 1990: A detachment of the squadron's F/A-18 aircraft and personnel, along with VFA-305 personnel, [illegible] aboard [illegible] from Norfolk to Alameda [illegible].

Nov 1990: A detachment of squadron aircraft and personnel [illegible] to take [illegible] part of Operation Desert Shield. Provided [illegible] missions requiring aircraft [illegible] with electronic [illegible] electronic [illegible] under [illegible].

1994: In early 1994 the squadron added the role of adversary and Fleet Support to its primary mission.



[illegible] of VFA-303 [illegible] aboard [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| [illegible] | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Alameda | 1 Jul 1970 |
| NAS Lemoore | [illegible] 198[illegible] |

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR William E. [illegible] | 1 Jul 1970 |
| CDR Philip [illegible] Bentz | [illegible] Jul 197[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR Ross T. [illegible] | [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| CDR Allen F. [illegible] | 19 Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR Thomas E. [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 197[illegible] |
| CDR Donald P. Smith | Jun 198[illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | 198[illegible] |
| CDR Richard A. [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 198[illegible] |
| CDR Robert R. [illegible] | 19[illegible] |
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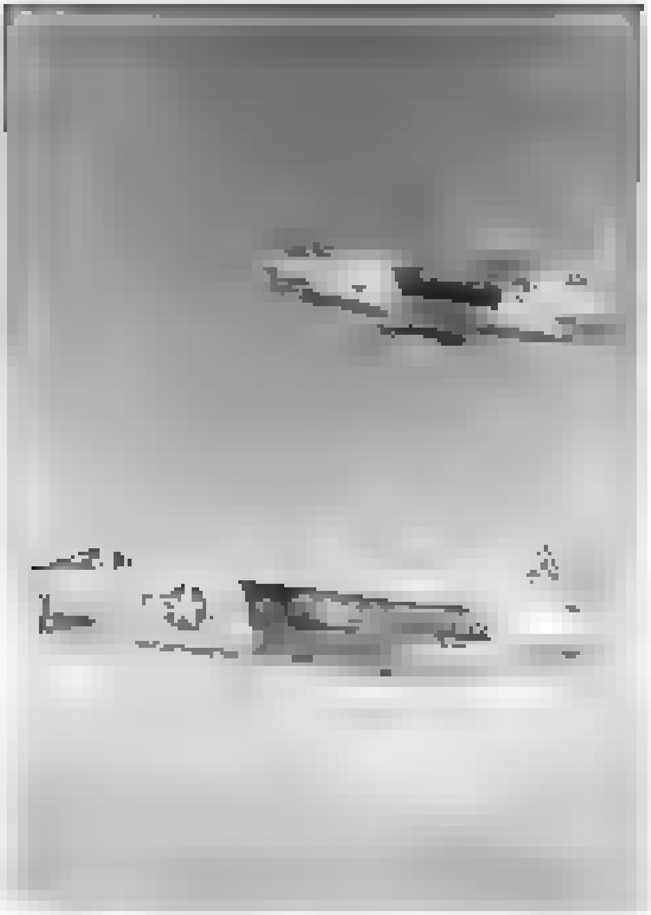

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### Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] Douglas | [illegible] |
| LCDR Ronald [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-4C | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| A-7A | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| A-7B | [illegible] |
| F/A-18C | [illegible] |

### Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| CVW-6 | AE | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |

### Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date | Covering Unit Award |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |

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# VFA-305

## Lineage

Established as Attack Squadron THREE HUNDRED FIVE (VA-305) on 1 July 1970.

Redesignated Strike Fighter Squadron THREE HUNDRED FIVE (VFA-305) on 1 January [illegible].

Disestablished on [illegible] December 1994. The first squadron to be assigned the VA-305 and VFA-305 designation.

## Squadron Insignia and Nickname

The squadron's first insignia [illegible]

The squadron's first insignia was approved by CNO on [illegible] June 1971. Colors for the design [illegible] were a [illegible] background outlined in green; green diagonal stripe; gold dagger [illegible] outlined in [illegible] scroll outlined in green with black lettering.

A new insignia was adopted and approved by [illegible] CNO on [illegible]. Colors for the wolf's head [illegible] were a white background and [illegible] lined in [illegible] green diagonal stripe outlined in [illegible] white [illegible] head, white [illegible] white mouth and teeth with a red tongue; white scroll outlined in [illegible] with [illegible] lettering.

Nickname: [illegible] The [illegible] 1970–197[illegible]. [illegible] Lobos 197[illegible]–199[illegible].

[illegible]

## Chronology of Significant Events

[illegible] Jul 1970: VA-305, a reserve squadron, established as part of a reorganization of the reserves intended to [illegible] combat readiness [illegible] Air Reserve [illegible].

Nov 1976: The squadron deployed aboard *Ranger* [illegible] for the annual two-week active duty training [illegible] [illegible] test and the operational readiness exercise inspection to ensure the squadron was seaworthy and combat ready [illegible] part of [illegible] Reserve [illegible].

25 Sep–20 Nov 1990: The squadron's deployment with [illegible] aboard [illegible] was the first full integration of a reserve squadron with an active duty air wing for a long deployment in support of a direct fleet operational requirement. Squadron personnel participated in exercises [illegible] with the armed forces of Argentina and [illegible] and flew [illegible] missions during the deployment.

199[illegible]–199[illegible]: The squadron added the roles of Adversary and Fleet Support to its primary mission.

A [illegible] squadron [illegible]

## Home Port Assignments

| Location | Assignment Date |
|---|---|
| NAS Los Alamitos | 1 Jul 1970 |
| NAS Point Mugu | [illegible] Jan 197[illegible] |

A squadron [illegible] [illegible]

## Commanding Officers

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Commanding Officers—Continued

| | Date Assumed Command |
|---|---|
| CDR [illegible] Jr. | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | 20 Jul [illegible] |
| CDR [illegible] | [illegible] |
| LCDR [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Aircraft Assignment

| Type of Aircraft | Date Type First Received |
|---|---|
| A-[illegible] | [illegible] Jul [illegible] |
| A-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| A-[illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] |
| A-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| F/A-[illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Type of Aircraft | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Sep 1990 | [illegible] 199[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | East to West coast [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Air Wing Assignments

| Air Wing | Tail Code | Assignment Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Unit Awards Received

| Unit Award | Inclusive Date Covering Unit Award | |
|---|---|---|
| NAVE | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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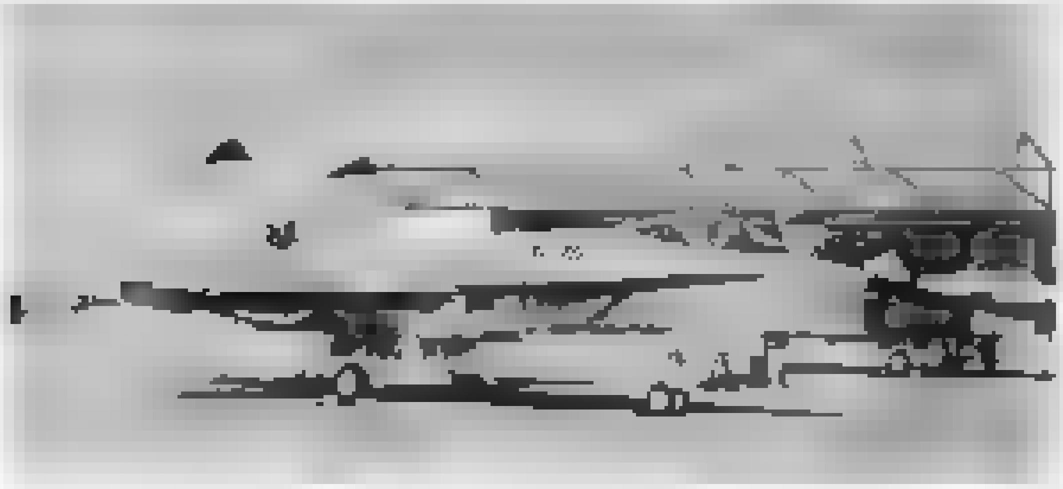

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## APPENDIX 1

# Aircraft Data— Technical Information and Drawings

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## A-3 (A3D) Skywarrior

Early in the Second World War, the Navy began to explore the concept of a jet-powered aircraft operating from carriers. [illegible] further development of the concept until [illegible] the first war. Then the Navy began to consider jet power for a [illegible] of operating from a carrier that was large enough for worldwide strategic bombing capability.

In January 1948, the Bureau of Aeronautics issued a requirement to develop a long-range carrier-based attack plane that could carry a 10,000-pound bomb load. The design contract was awarded to the Douglas Aircraft Company on 29 September 1949 led to the development and production of the A3D. [illegible] large for a carrier-based aircraft, the A3D quickly earned the nickname Whale.

The Navy would never have a strategic bombing role in the defense of the United States, but the A3D Skywarrior [illegible] many roles. And in the last decade of the century [illegible] the KA-3 and EA-3 [illegible] as tankers and electronic warfare aircraft.

| | |
|---|---|
| First contract | 29 September 1949 |
| First flight | 28 October 1952 |
| First operational squadron | [illegible] March 1956 |
| Last delivery | January 1961 |
| Number accepted | 282 |

A [illegible] Skywarrior [illegible]

## Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XA3D-1**

Experimental aircraft

**YA3D-1**

Prototype aircraft

**A3D-1 (redesignated A-3A).**

The primary mission was attack of enemy surface targets. The A3D-1 had a [illegible] turbojet engines, provisions for a three man crew (pilot, bombardier-navigator and a gunner-navigator). There were provisions for [illegible] pound bombs [illegible] and for in-flight refueling. The airplane was [illegible] conventional, swept-wing, all-metal [illegible] with [illegible] wing and a semi-monocoque fuselage. The two turbojet engines were enclosed in underwing nacelles. The aircraft featured a tricycle landing gear, wing fold and tail fold mechanisms, single slotted wing flaps and [illegible] were operated [illegible]. The horizontal stabilizer was adjustable for trim in flight.

**A3D-2 (redesignated A-3B)**

Aircraft designated A3D-2 (A-3B) differed from the A3D-1 by additional provisions for a fourth crew member. The leading edge slats were activated automatically. [illegible] and hookup was provided. The ECM installation [illegible] 4,500 pound thrust bottle [illegible] in-flight refueling [illegible] tanker provisions were provided for the A3D-2. The following are the basic specifications for the A-3B.

| | |
|---|---|
| **Weight** | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Basic | [illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Max T.O. [illegible] | [illegible] lbs |
| Max T.O. [illegible] | [illegible] lbs |
| Max landing (land) | 50,000 lbs |
| Max landing (carrier) | [illegible] lbs |
| **Dimensions** | |
| Wing area | [illegible] ft |
| Wing span | [illegible] ft |
| MAC | [illegible] in |
| Sweepback | 36 degrees |
| Length | [illegible] ft |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Tread | [illegible] ft |
| **Ordnance** | |
| Bombs | Twelve 500 pound [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| Mines | Twelve 500 pound Mk [illegible] |
| | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| Special [illegible] | |
| Guns ammunition | Two 20 mm [illegible] rounds per gun<br>[illegible] |
| Radar bombing [illegible] | AN/ASB-[illegible] |
| **Power plant** | |
| Two J57-P10 Pratt & Whitney turbojet dual rotor, axial flow engines | |
| Length | [illegible] |
| Diameter | [illegible] |
| **Electronics** | |
| Radio [illegible] | AN/[illegible] |
| [illegible] homing | AN/ARA-[illegible] |
| UHF transceiver | AN/ARC-[illegible] |
| TACAN | AN/[illegible] |
| [illegible] transceiver | AN/ARC-[illegible] |
| IFF transponder | AN/APX-[illegible] |
| Interphone | AN/[illegible] |
| Radar | AN/[illegible] |
| [illegible] | AN/AR[illegible] |

**A3D-2P (redesignated RA-3B)**

The photographic version of the A3D-2P. The [illegible] It carried a [illegible] compartment [illegible]. The compartment also [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible]. Sighting equipment and [illegible] were located in the cockpit.

**A3D-2Q (redesignated EA-3B)**

The principal mission of the A3D-2Q was to search for enemy radar. Provisions were made for a crew of [illegible] pilot, navigator [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

**A3D-2T (redesignated TA-3B)**

Trainer version

## Other Designations

**A3D-1P (redesignated RA-3A).**

Same as A-3A except equipped for photography.

**A3D-1Q (EA-3A).**

Same as A-3A except equipped for [illegible] countermeasures. Bomb capabilities removed.

**VA-3B**

Similar to EA-3B [illegible] except [illegible] all removable electronic equipment removed from cabin area and the installation of equipment necessary for personnel accommodations.

**KA-3B**

Similar to A-3B [illegible] modified to [illegible] capable.

**EKA-3B**

[illegible] configured as the TACOS [illegible] Tanker Aircraft Countermeasures or Strike mission.

**NRA-3B**

An A-3B equipped as test bed for Electronic and some missile guidance [illegible].

**ERA-3B**

RA-3B modified to fleet electronic warfare support group configuration.

### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| XA3D | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A3D-1 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A3D-1 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aircraft [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Aircraft [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Bureau number cancelled |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| A3D-2 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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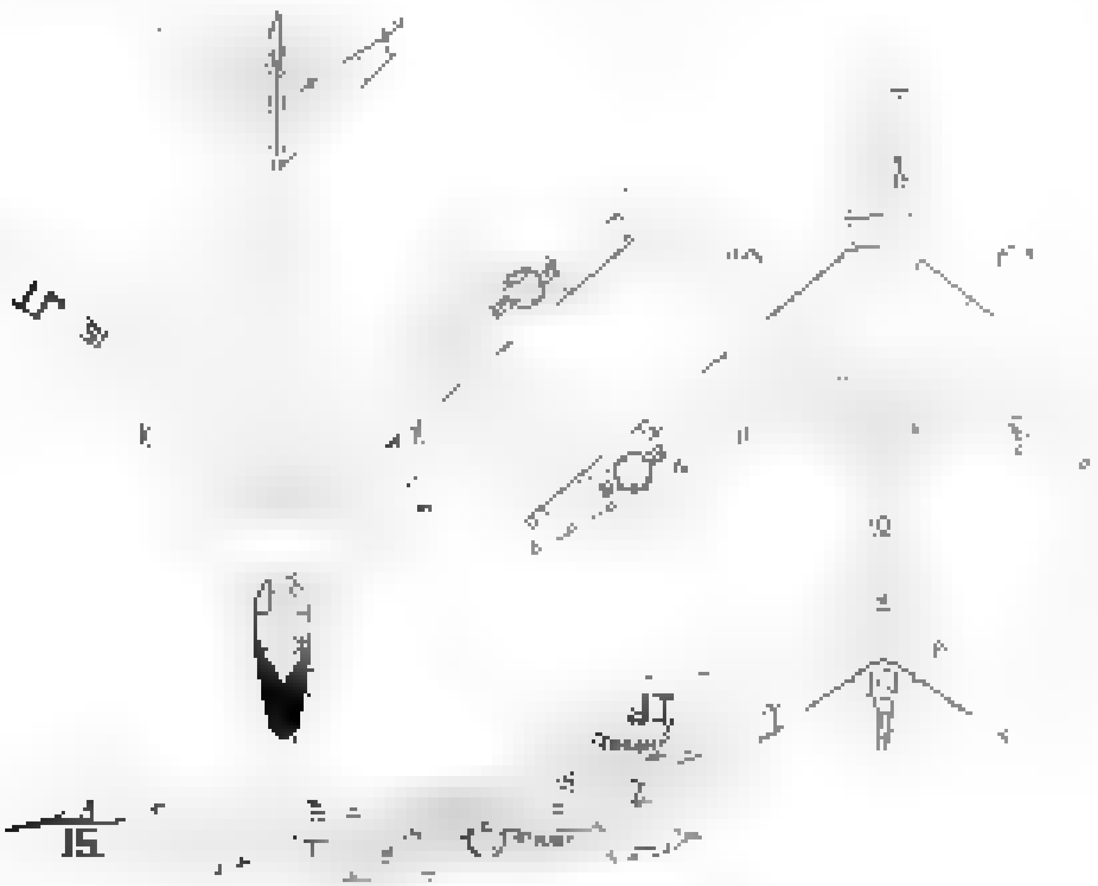

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# A4D (A-4) Skyhawk

By the early 1950s jet power had matured to the point where the Navy became interested in using it for attack aircraft. At that time the AD Skyraider was the Navy's premier attack plane. The A4D Skyhawk (redesignated A-4 [illegible]) was the replacement of the AD. [illegible] and ease in support was what the aircraft was designed to do by the Douglas Company's aeronautical engineer Ed Heinemann.

| | |
|---|---|
| First contract | [illegible] |
| First flight | [illegible] Jun 195[illegible] |
| First reported in operation | [illegible] Sep 1956 |
| Last received | Feb 1979 |
| Number accepted | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

Each time a model [illegible] specific to the aircraft. All the other models [illegible] identify the [illegible] changes [illegible] resulting in a new model designation.

**A4D-1 (Redesignated A-4A)**

The A4D-1 was a single-seat aircraft designed as a light weight, carrier-based, turbo-jet plane whose primary mission was the destruction of enemy ground and surface targets. The structure was of [illegible] metal semi-monocoque [illegible]. Fitted with hydraulically operated wing slats and mechanically operated split flaps. Folding wings were not provided. The following are the basic specifications for the A4D-1:

Dimensions:

| | |
|---|---|
| Wing area | 2[illegible] sq ft |
| Wing span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | 39 ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |

Weight:

| | |
|---|---|
| Empty | 8,2[illegible] lbs |
| Basic | 8,[illegible]5 lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Max Takeoff (Field) | [illegible] lbs |
| Max Takeoff (Catapult) | [illegible] lbs |
| Max Landing (Field) | [illegible] lbs |
| Max Landing (Arrest) | [illegible] lbs |

Ordnance:

[illegible] 20mm guns with 200 rounds per gun

[illegible] racks [illegible] on wing

Max load capacity [illegible] pounds

Electronics:

| | |
|---|---|
| UHF Comm | AN/ARC-[illegible] |
| IFF | AN/APX-[illegible] |
| IFF Coder | AN/APA-89 |
| UHF ADF | AN/AR[illegible]-25 |
| TACAN (Ranging) | AN/ARN-[illegible] |

Power Plant:

One Wright J65-W-4 axial flow engine

**A4D-2 (Redesignated A-4B)**

The A4D-2 differed from the A4D-1 primarily by the incorporation of a pressure fueling system, flight refueling provisions and [illegible] the [illegible] seat.

**A4D-2N (Redesignated A-4C)**

Improved A4D-2 with longer nose [illegible] seat.

**A4D-5 (Redesignated A-4E)**

The A4D-5 was an A4D-2N with the J52-P6 engine and two additional wing weapon stations [illegible].

**A-4F**

Similar to A-4E but with J52-P-8A engine, ESCAPAC [illegible] ejection seat [illegible].

**A-4G**

For Australian Navy

**A-4H**

For FMS

**A-4K**

For New Zealand

**A-4KU**

For FMS

**A-4M**

Similar to A-4F but with enlarged canopy [illegible].

**A-4N**

For FMS

## Other Designations

**TA-4B**

Small, single-seat, delta wing, carrier-based attack aircraft with tricycle landing gear and in-flight refueling capability.

**EA-4F**

[illegible] modified for EW training.

**A-4L**

A-4C with new engine, upgraded avionics [illegible] Shrike missile capability and improved electronics.

**A-4M**

[illegible] modified for use by [illegible] single-seat [illegible]

**A-4S**

A-4C modified for use by Singapore.

**TA-4S**

Trainer version of the A-4S.

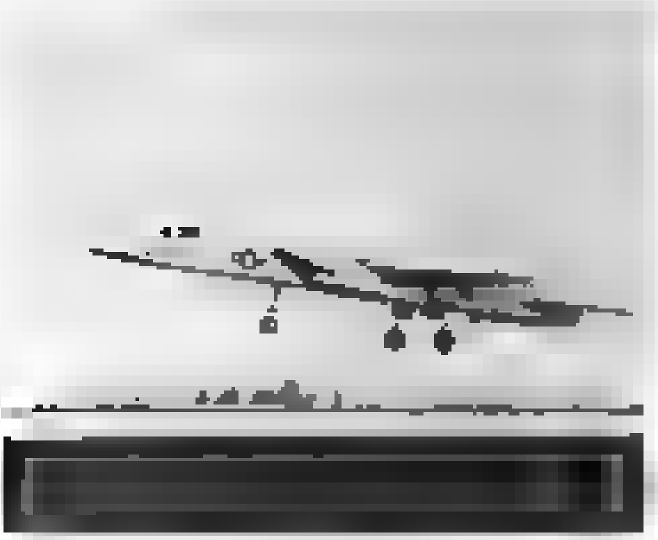
### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| XA4D | [illegible] |
| A-4A | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] |
| A-4[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] |
| A-4D | [illegible] |
| A-4E | [illegible] |
| TA-4E | [illegible] |
| A-4F | [illegible] |
| TA-4F | [illegible] |
| A-4G | [illegible] |
| TA-4G | [illegible] |
| A-4H | [illegible] |
| TA-4H | [illegible] |
| TA-4J | [illegible] |
| A-4K | [illegible] |
| TA-4K | [illegible] |
| A-4KU | [illegible] |
| TA-4KU | [illegible] |
| A-4M | [illegible] |
| A-4N | [illegible] |
| A-4[illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# A3J (A-5) Vigilante

The two aircraft that rank as the heaviest ever Navy carrier-based airplanes are the A-3 Skywarrior and the A-5 Vigilante. Designed by North American as a supersonic, all-weather, heavy attack bomber, the Vigilante began life as the A3J and was redesignated A-5 in the general redesignation of Defense Department airplanes that occurred in 1962. The [illegible] referred to the design as the North American General Purpose Attack Weapon (NAGPAW). The first contract for the aircraft was awarded to North American by the Navy on [illegible] August 1956. Its first flight occurred [illegible] August 1958 [illegible]. The [illegible] mission [illegible] the A-5 [illegible] reconnaissance aircraft. The Vigilante was first reported in squadron [illegible] in June 1961 and completed its final deployment in September 1979. A total of [illegible] Vigilantes were bought.



[illegible] Vigilante taking [illegible] 196[illegible]

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**YA3J-1**
Prototype version of the A3J-1.

**A3J-1 (redesignated A-5A)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | Two |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Width | |
| Span | 53 ft |
| Folded | 42 ft |
| Wing area | 700 sq ft |
| Height | |
| Tail spread | 19 ft |
| Tail folded | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Weight | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat Range | [illegible] nm to [illegible] nm |
| Engine | Two [illegible] General Electric [illegible] |
| | Two [illegible] General Electric J79-[illegible] |
| Ordnance | Internal stores in linear bomb bay structure<br>Two wing stations for external stores |

**A3J-2 (redesignated A-5B)**
Greater fuel capacity and two additional wing stations for ordnance.

**A3J-3P (redesignated RA-5C)**
Same as A-5B but equipped with day and night photographic [illegible] that could [illegible] to [illegible] with [illegible] still photographic plus [illegible] systems include [illegible] and intelligence gathering capabilities.

### Bureau Numbers

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| YA3J-1 | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| A3J-1 | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| A3J-1 | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| A3J-1 | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| A3J-2 | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| A3J-3P | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| A3J-3P | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| RA-5C | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| RA-5C | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
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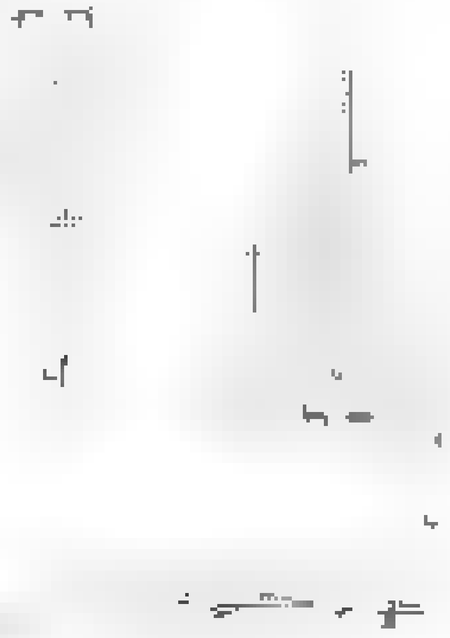


[illegible] drawing [illegible] Vigilante

## A-6 Intruder

The Navy's experience with jet aircraft in the Korean conflict led to a requirement for a low-level attack aircraft that could defeat radar defenses against moving and fixed targets at night and in all weather and darkness. It was to be a subsonic aircraft capable of delivering nuclear as well as conventional ordnance, thus being useful in both nuclear retaliation and conventional conflicts. The Chief of Naval Operations issued its operational requirement [illegible] for this aircraft on [illegible] October [illegible]. In 1957 the Navy announced its intention to conduct a design competition for an aircraft that would meet its operational requirements. Eight manufacturers submitted eleven designs in the competition. The Navy selected Grumman's design. The aircraft that Grumman produced was a swept-wing two-place plane with exceptional loitering ability that could fly under enemy radar and carry a larger and more varied store than any other attack aircraft of its time. It was powered by two Pratt & Whitney J52-P-6 turbojet engines each with 8,500 pounds of thrust. The Intruder made its first flight 19 April 1960 as the A2F-1, a designation that became A-6A under the Department of Defense's uniform designation system.

| | |
|---|---|
| First contract | 26 March 1959 |
| First flight | 19 April 1960 |
| First reported in squadron | February 196[illegible] [illegible] to VA-42 |
| Initial operating capability | February 1963 |
| Number accepted | [illegible] |

### *Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)*

**A-6A**

Originally designated A2F-1 and changed to A-6A in the DOD uniform designation system, this aircraft was first accepted by the Navy in February 1963. It was an all-weather, low-level aircraft that could operate from small unprepared fields in close support of ground troops or, at higher altitudes, could operate from carriers on long-range special weapon strikes against heavily defended fixed targets. The A-6A used an integrated navigation and weapon digital computer system to find targets in all weather conditions.

**EA-6A**

The original designation of the EA-6A was A2F-1H. The aircraft retained a portion of the A-6A's attack capability but gave up much of its bombing and navigation equipment to make space for electronic countermeasures. This made the attack plane into an effective electronic warfare aircraft.

**A-6B**

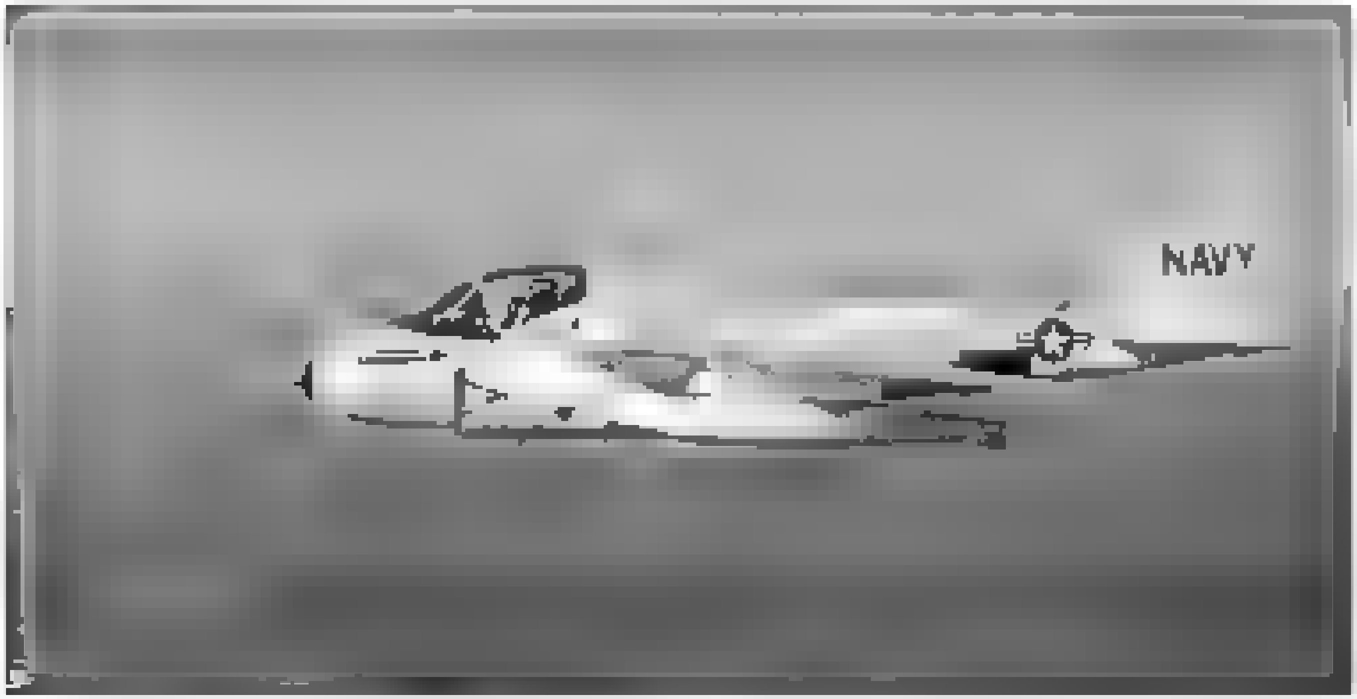
The A-6B was a version of the A-6A designed and developed to meet the special warfare need of destroying ground-based missile and defense. The A-6B was equipped to carry the Standard anti-Radiation missile (ARM) [illegible] system.

**KA-6D**

A-6A modified for use as aerial refueling tanker.

**A-6E**

The Navy began to develop the [illegible] of the



[illegible] Intruder [illegible]

Intruder in the late 1960s. The first production delivery was made in [illegible]. The A-6E was intended to reduce the excessive maintenance on the aircraft by increasing the reliability of its equipment and support. There were also improvements in the search radar and the navigation and armament control equipment. The A-6E program involved new production A-6Es and the modification of A-6As to the A-6E configuration. The latter resulted in [illegible] A-6As to A-6Es.

**A-6E TRAM**

The Target Recognition Attack Multisensor (TRAM) integration of the A-6E greatly improved the [illegible] capability [illegible] 1979 the TRAM [illegible] was equipped with [illegible] laser [illegible] images of the targets [illegible] The TRAM [illegible] The TRAM [illegible] equipped to [illegible] laser-guided bombs and missiles. The [illegible] navigation system [illegible] The TRAM [illegible] Automatic [illegible] Phase [illegible] compensation to provide [illegible] automatic [illegible] ing [illegible].

Specifications for the A-6E are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Length | [illegible] |
| Span | [illegible] |
| Height | [illegible] |
| Length with wings folded | [illegible] |
| Weight | [illegible] pounds empty |
| | [illegible] pounds gross |
| Crew | [illegible] |
| Speed | [illegible] |
| Engine | [illegible] Pratt & Whitney [illegible] |
| | [illegible] |
| Ordnance | Five external store positions; maximum load of [illegible] pounds |

### Other Designations (Modifications of existing airframes)

**A-6C**

The A-6C was modified [illegible] of the A-6A production [illegible] was equipped with [illegible] sensors [illegible] The aircraft was known as the TRIM, which described the aircraft's mission as Trails, Roads Interdiction Multisensor. The A-6C's sensors were meant to detect the enemy's supply depots and truck traffic in Southeast Asia.

**A-6A**

A-6A modified to a test-bed for evaluation [illegible] Wing [illegible] research and development.

### Bureau Numbers

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| | [illegible] | [illegible] | | |
| A-6B | [illegible] | [illegible] | | |
| KA-6D | [illegible] | [illegible] | | |
| A-6E | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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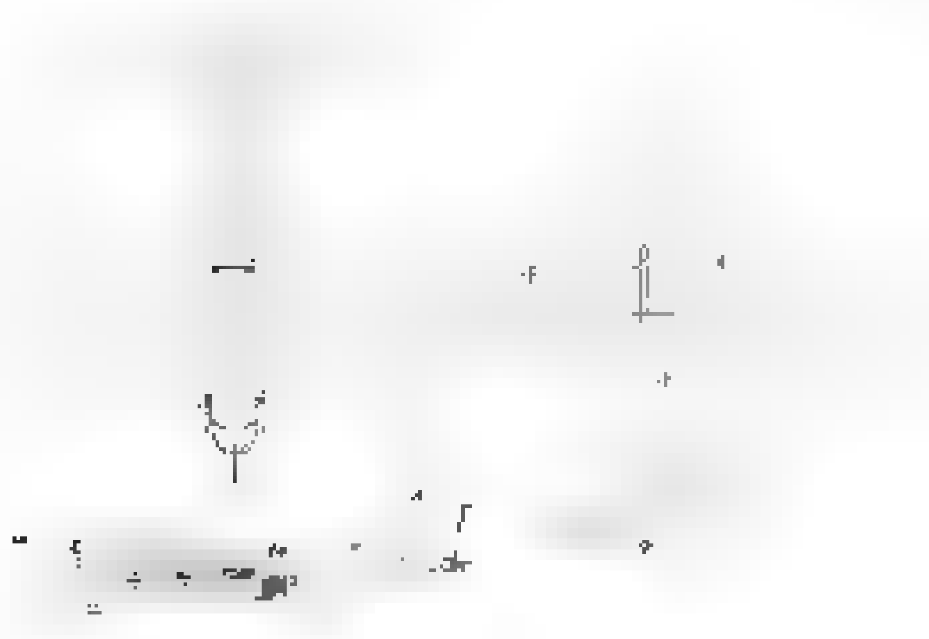

[illegible] drawing [illegible]

# A-7 Corsair II

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

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## Model Designations Accepted from Manufacturer (New Builds)

### A-7A

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### A-7B

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### A-[illegible]

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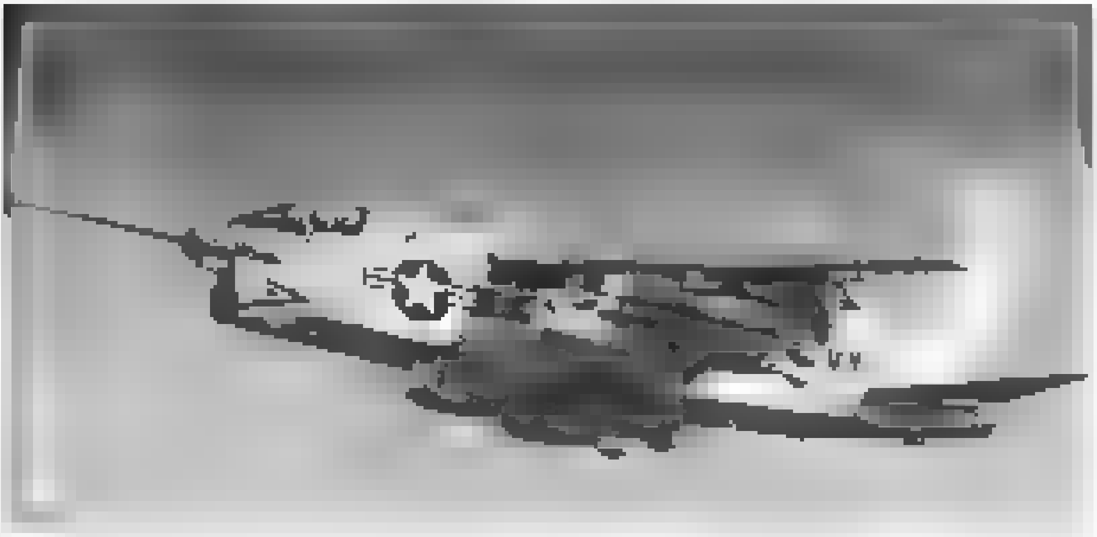


[illegible]

**A-7D**

For [illegible] Air Force

**A-7E**

[illegible] deployment [illegible] The A-7E was [illegible] A-7B [illegible] system [illegible] Forward [illegible] Radar [illegible] Specifications for the A-7E are as follows:

Wing:

Area [illegible]

Maximum span [illegible]

Folded span [illegible]

Aspect ratio [illegible]

Sweepback [illegible]

[illegible]

Length [illegible]

Height [illegible]

Maximum [illegible]

Weight (with [illegible] engine):

Empty [illegible]

Basic [illegible]

Design [illegible]

[illegible]

Maximum takeoff [illegible]

Maximum takeoff [illegible]

Maximum landing [illegible]

Ordnance:

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] pounds

**A-7F**

For [illegible]

**TA-7H**

[illegible] Greece

**A-7K**

[illegible] Air Force

## Other Designations

**TA-7C**

[illegible]

**A-7?**

Designation [illegible]

**EA-7L**

[illegible]

**A-7P**

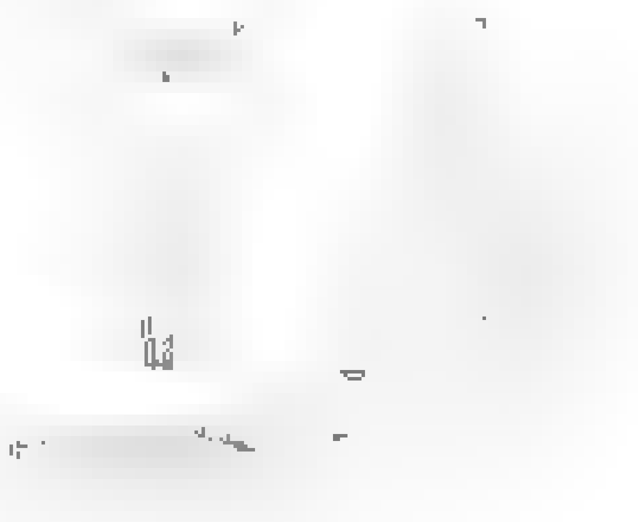
For Portugal [illegible] from A-7A

**TA-7P**

[illegible] Portugal [illegible] from A-7A

## Bureau Numbers

[illegible]



[illegible]

# AD (A-1) Skyraider

During World War [illegible] the [illegible] began looking for a new dive-bomber torpedo [illegible] to meet its emerging [illegible] requirements [illegible] several phases [illegible] from the [illegible] predecessor [illegible] the [illegible] of the Bureau of Aeronautics. Design difficulties and [illegible] weight problems [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the SB2C [illegible]. The [illegible] new design [illegible] the good features of the SB2C [illegible] while [illegible] its inherent difficulties.

The AD series [illegible] redesignated A-1 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the Bureau of Aeronautics and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] significant design [illegible]. Great emphasis was placed on the importance of the [illegible] weight [illegible] [illegible] the standard [illegible] bomb [illegible] gear was replaced by a light explosive device [illegible] the bomb [illegible] [illegible] with the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] initial design [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] greater [illegible] speed and a [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of other [illegible] [illegible] torpedoes.

First contract 6 Jul 1944
First flight 18 Mar [illegible]
First reported in squadron 6 Dec [illegible]
Last [illegible] [illegible] 1957
Last reported in squadron [illegible] 197[illegible]
Number of copies [illegible]180

## Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

[illegible] the model will list the [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible]. All the other models [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] model designation.

AD-1

The initial single-seat version of the Skyraider was powered by a [illegible] hp Wright R-[illegible] engine. Its details were as follows:

Weight, empty [illegible] lbs
Gross, [illegible] [illegible] lbs
Gross, Bomber [illegible] lbs
Dimensions
Wing span 5[illegible] ft
Length [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Height [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Ordnance on Fuselage
Bombs one [illegible] lbs
Depth bomb one [illegible] lbs
Mine one [illegible] lbs
Torpedo one Mk [illegible]
Ordnance on Wings
Bombs two [illegible] lbs
Depth Bombs two [illegible] lbs
Mines two [illegible] lbs
Rockets two [illegible] in Tiny Tim [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] R
Torpedo two Mk [illegible]
Guns two 20 mm [illegible]

AD-1Q

AD-1 with countermeasures unit

[illegible]

**AD-2**

Powered with the improved [illegible] hp Wright R-3350-26W engine.

**AD-2Q**

AD-2 with [illegible] countermeasures equipment.

**AD-3**

Strengthened fuselage, modified landing gear, new canopy design.

**AD-3N**

Equipped for night attack.

**AD-3Q**

Countermeasures equipment improved and relocated to provide better operation and crew comfort.

**AD-3W**

Airborne early warning equipment.

**AD-4**

The AD-4 was equipped with a [illegible] landing gear, improved radar, [illegible] compass, and provisions [illegible] capability [illegible] 500 pounds [illegible].

**AD-4W**

Airborne early warning equipment.

**AD-4N**

The primary mission of the AD-4N airplane was night attack and [illegible] countermeasures.

**AD-4Q**

Countermeasures equipment.

**AD-5 (Redesignated A-1E)**

A redesign of the aircraft. The AD-5 was equipped [illegible] side-by-side seating for an assistant pilot. The increased [illegible] arrangement facilitated [illegible] the operation and permitted utilization for long-range [illegible] radar search operations and observation [illegible] instrument landing [illegible] communications and other operations requiring [illegible] crew members. Various armament [illegible] equipment were [illegible] for [illegible] pilot operation. A single dive brake was provided [illegible] control. The AD-5 could be converted rapidly [illegible] for operation as a [illegible] airplane [illegible] equipment.

**AD-5N (Redesignated A-1G)**

Night attack version with radar countermeasures.

**AD-5W (Redesignated EA-1E)**

Airborne early warning version.

**AD-6 (Redesignated A-1H)**

The single-place airplane is conventional in design and features [illegible] landing gear [illegible] canopy [illegible] wing folding and [illegible] fuselage [illegible] brakes are operated hydraulically [illegible] capable of [illegible] landings [illegible] bomb station of the AD-6 was capable of carrying external stores up to 3,600 pounds weight and [illegible] inches diameter [illegible] pressure [illegible] was installed. A [illegible] direction [illegible] suitable for [illegible] low altitude bombing was also installed.

**AD-7 (Redesignated A-1J)**

The improvements in the AD-7 over its predecessor [illegible] the use of the R-3350-26WB engine and structural improvements in the wing to improve fatigue life.

### Other Designations

**AD-1Q**

AD-1 with [illegible] countermeasures and tow target equipment. Deletion of armament and wider type tire equipment.

**XAD-1W**

AD-1 with airborne early warning equipment. AD-1W prototype.

**XAD-2**

Similar to XBT2D-1 [illegible] engine [illegible] increased fuel capacity.

**AD-2N**

Equipped for night operations.

**AD-2QU**

AD-2 with radar countermeasures and tow target equipment. Deletion of armament and wider type tire equipment.

**XAD-3E**

AD-3W modified [illegible] Aeroproducts propeller.

**AD-3W**

AD-3 with airborne early warning equipment.

**AD-4L**

AD-4 equipped for winterized operations.

### Bureau Numbers

The Navy ordered [illegible] under the designation BT2D [illegible] was the second [illegible] designed for the [illegible] designation [illegible] letter [illegible] the [illegible] of all [illegible].

XBT2D-1 [illegible]
XBT2D-1W [illegible]
XBT2D-1E [illegible]
XBT2D-1Q [illegible]
XBT2D-1 [illegible]
XAD-2 [illegible]
AD-1 [illegible]

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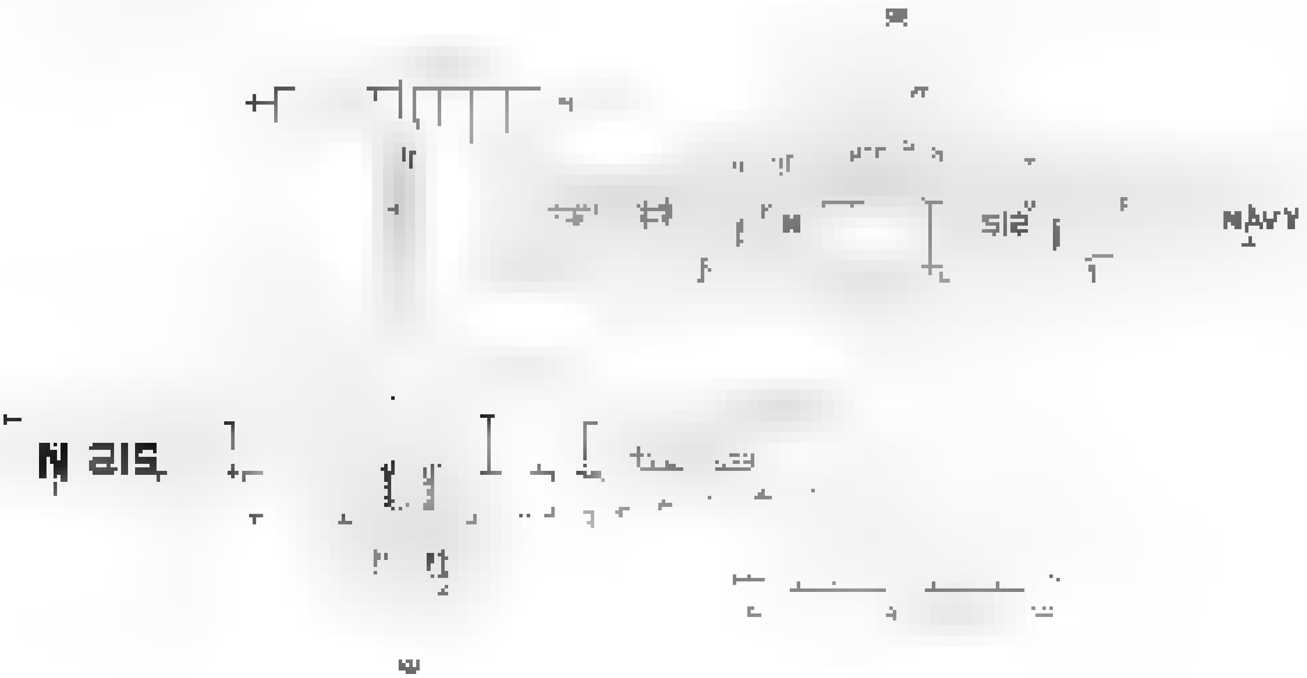
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# AF Guardian

The genesis of the Guardian began in the late months of World War II as Grumman developed plans to replace the TBF Avenger. The original [illegible] of the designation TB2F was used as a design for a two-engine aircraft that never was built but the designation was reassigned to the [illegible]. The design which the Navy [illegible] in February 1945 was a single engine attack aircraft designated XTB3F. Because of the designation change of [illegible] to attack aircraft [illegible], the XTB3F entered squadron service in October 1950 as the AF. The aircraft was intended to work in hunter-killer teams composed of an AF-2S and AF-2W.

| | |
|---|---|
| First contract | 19 February 1945 |
| First flight | [illegible] December 1946 |
| First reported in squadron | [illegible] October 1950 |
| Last delivered | April 1953 |
| Last reported in squadron | August 1955 |
| [illegible] squadron | October 1955 |
| Number accepted | 38[illegible] |

[illegible]

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

XTB3F

XTB3F-2S

AF-2W

AF-2S

AF-3S

**AF-2S (Mission and Description)**

The AF-2S was the production development of the XTB3F-2S. Its primary mission was to attack enemy submarines after being directed to the target location by the AF-2W. The AF-2S would drop a pattern of sonobuoys to determine exact location of the enemy submarine after which it would use its own direct [illegible] to complete the attack. Rockets and depth bombs were [illegible] arms to complement the attack. The AF-2S was a three-place plane for operational missions in [illegible] carriers. It was conventional in design and structure with an all-metal, low-wing mono[illegible] semi-monocoque fuselage, landing gear, [illegible] flaps, wings folded [illegible] manual [illegible] pilot's canopy [illegible] to [illegible]. Ailerons were of [illegible] with spring tabs and one trim tab. Flexible [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] were equipped with a spring [illegible] the [illegible] with a [illegible]. Power plant installation was conventional with a [illegible] mount.

Specifications for the AF-2S are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Power plant | One Pratt & Whitney R-2800-48 |
| Weight | |
| Empty | 14,580 lbs |
| Basic | 15,[illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum landing | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | 5[illegible] sq ft |
| Span | 60 ft |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Tread | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |

Ordnance
  Bomb bay
    Mk 1[illegible] torpedo
    Mk 4[illegible] torpedo
    Mk [illegible] torpedo
    Mk [illegible] mine could be substituted for either the Mk [illegible] or the Mk [illegible] Torpedo
  Wing Points: outboard each mid-wing
    Six 5-inch HVAR or [illegible] Rockets
    Four [illegible] rockets
    Four Mk 54 depth bombs
    Three [illegible] sonobuoys
    Two dispensers of [illegible] sonobuoys and Mk [illegible] flares each
  One jettisonable fuel tank [illegible] gallons each

Fire control
  Mk 2[illegible] Bombsight mounted on [illegible] panel
  Mk 8 [illegible] sight

Maximum bomb capacity [illegible] lbs

Armament
  [illegible]
  Mk 25A [illegible]

AN/AVQ-2 Searchlight on starboard outboard wing panel

AN/APS-[illegible] Radar in port outboard nacelle
  Radar range 15–200 nautical miles

**AF-2W (Mission and Description)**

The AF-2W was the production development of the XTB3F-[illegible]. Its mission was radar search for submarine

After [illegible] the AF-2W would direct its companion [illegible] the AF-2S [illegible] the target [illegible] The AF-2W was a [illegible] [illegible] The airplane was [illegible] structure with an all-metal two-spar [illegible] fuselage. The [illegible] [illegible] operated. [illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was [illegible]

Specifications for the AF-2W are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Power plant | [illegible] Pratt and Whitney R-2800-48 |
| Weight | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Basic | [illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum landing | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Span | [illegible] ft |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Tread | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Ordnance | |
| None | |
| Electronics | |
| VHF Communication | AN/ARC-[illegible] |
| UHF Communication | [illegible] |
| MHF Receiver | AN/[illegible] |
| Interphone | [illegible] |
| Homing | AN/ARR-2A and AN/ARN-[illegible] |
| Radio Altimeter | AN/APN-[illegible] |
| Range Receiver | [illegible] |
| Radar Countermeasures | AN/APR-[illegible] and [illegible] |
| Radar | AN/APS-20A |
| Special [illegible] Kit | AN/APS-20 |
| Radio Recording Set | AN/APR-[illegible] |
| Radio Relay [illegible] | AN/ART-[illegible] |
| [illegible] Indicator | [illegible] |
| IFF | AN/APX-[illegible] |
| Radar Range | [illegible] miles |

AF-2S (Mission and Description)

Same as the AF-2W but with [illegible] gear installed.

### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| XTB3F | [illegible] |
| XTB3F-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| XTB3F-[illegible] | [illegible] XTB3F-[illegible] deleted |
| AF-2S | [illegible] (even numbers to AF-2S) |
| AF-2W | [illegible] (odd numbers to AF-2W) |
| AF-2W | [illegible] (odd numbers to AF-2W) |
| AF-2S | [illegible] (even numbers to AF-2S) |
| AF-2S | [illegible] (even numbers to AF-2S) |
| AF-2W | [illegible] (odd numbers to AF-2W) |
| AF-2S | [illegible] |
| AF-2W | [illegible] |
| AF-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| AF-2W | [illegible] |
| AF-[illegible] | [illegible] |
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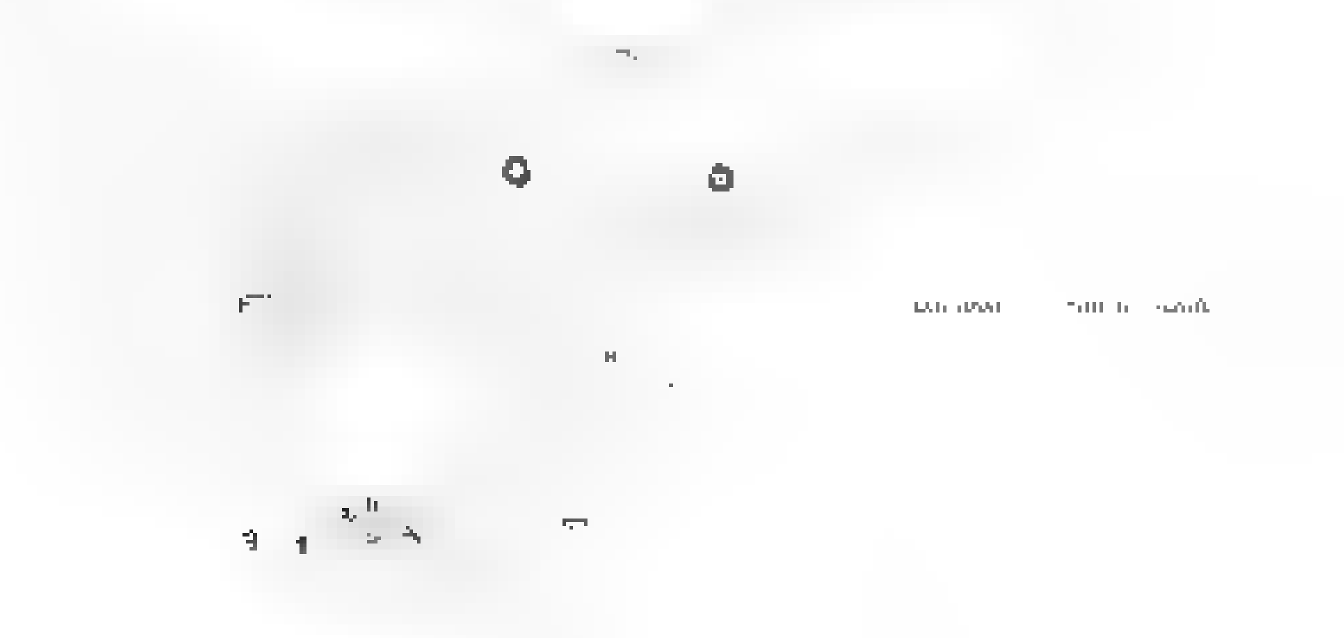


# AJ (A-2) Savage

On 24 June 1946 the [illegible] North American [illegible] contract to build the aircraft that would become the AJ [illegible] intended as a [illegible] carrier [illegible] the AJ was first [illegible] in operation [illegible] September 1949. It was [illegible] redesignated A-2.

| | |
|---|---|
| First contract | 24 June 1946 |
| First flight | 3 July 1948 |
| First reported in squadron | 13 Sept 1949 |
| Last received | June 1954 |
| Last reported in squadron | [illegible] AJ-2P [illegible] AJ-2 and [illegible] 1960 |
| Number Accepted | [illegible] |

An [illegible] Savage.

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XAJ-1**

Experimental Version.

**AJ-1** (Redesignated A-2A)

[illegible] three [illegible] pressurized cockpit. Wing [illegible] folding. [illegible] for [illegible] rudder.

| | |
|---|---|
| **Weight** | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum take-off | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum landing | [illegible] lbs |
| **Power plant** | |
| [illegible] Pratt & Whitney R-2800 [illegible] reciprocating engines [illegible] Allison [illegible] | |
| **Dimensions** | |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq. ft |
| Wing span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| **Ordnance** | |
| Guns | none |
| Maximum Bomb Capacity | [illegible] lbs |

**AJ-2**

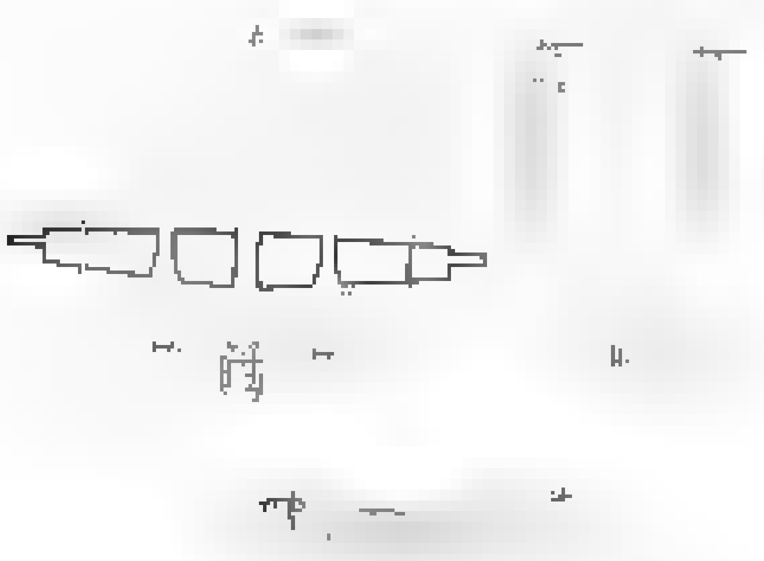
The AJ-1 with two Pratt & Whitney R-2800-48 and one Allison [illegible] engine. Fuel capacity was increased [illegible]

**AJ-2P**

AJ-2 aircraft with nose redesigned to accommodate cameras.

### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| XAJ-1 | [illegible] |
| AJ-1 | [illegible] |
| AJ-1 | [illegible] |
| AJ-1 | [illegible] |
| AJ-2P | [illegible] |
| AJ-2P | 129185–129193 |
| AJ-2 | 130405–[illegible] |
| AJ-2P | [illegible] |
| AJ-2 | [illegible] |
| AJ-2P | [illegible] |

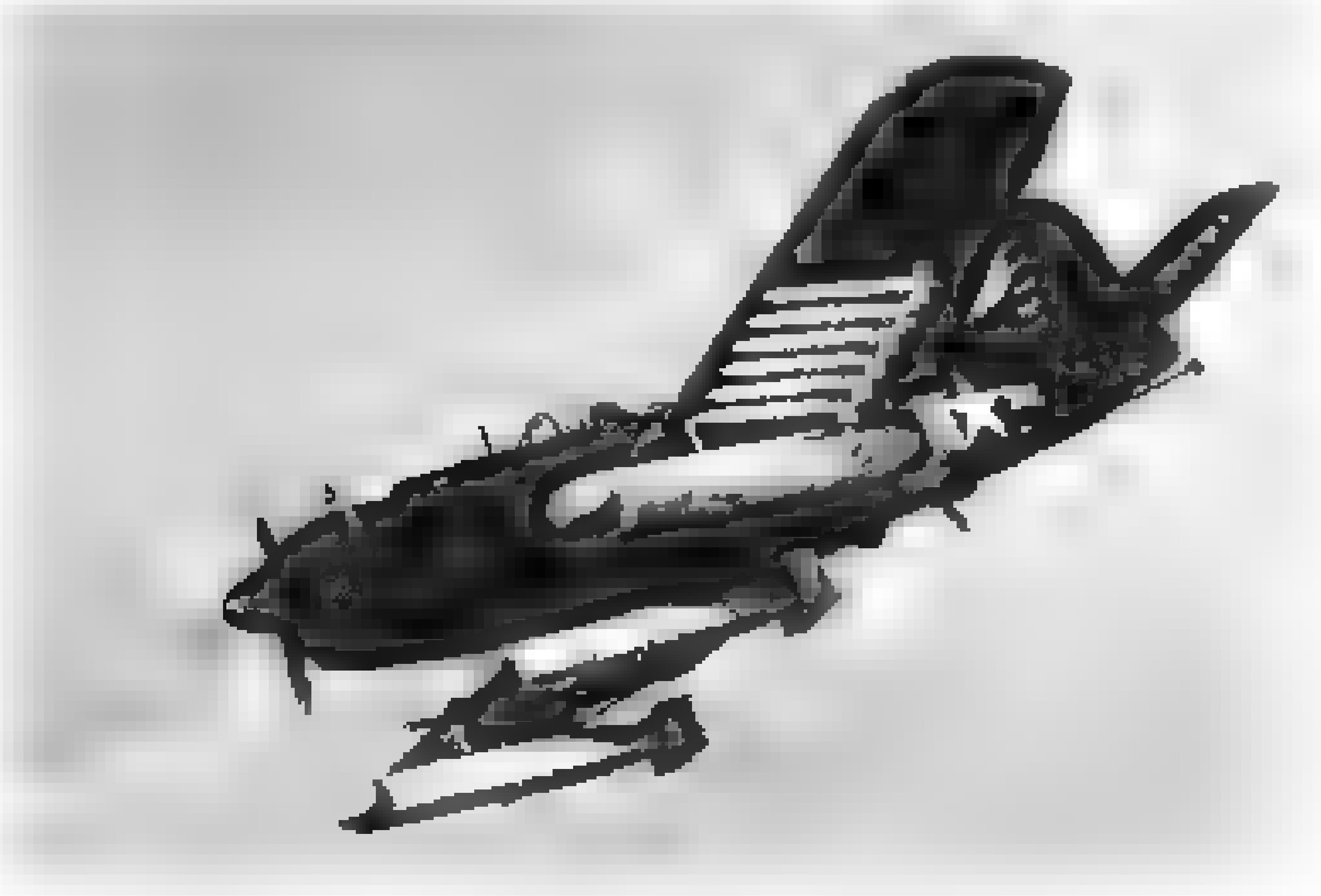


Line drawing [illegible] AJ Savage.

# AM Mauler

Improved methods of engine and aircraft design led the [illegible] to abandon its older [illegible] of using different [illegible] of aircraft [illegible] Bomber and [illegible] Torpedo Bomber [illegible] to combine these missions in one aircraft. The Douglas [illegible] (AD) was an example of one [illegible] that was to combine the bombing and torpedo missions [illegible] one [illegible]. The [illegible] airplane (BTM) was designed in the same spirit. Eventually [illegible] of designation reflected the change. When the letter A for attack replaced [illegible] and B (Bomber) and [illegible] (Torpedo). The BTM [illegible] was [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible]. The BTM is remembered as the AM Mauler.

| | |
|---|---|
| First ordered | [illegible] |
| First flight | 26 August [illegible] |
| First reported in squadron | March [illegible] |
| Last delivered | October [illegible] |
| Last reported in squadron | [illegible] October [illegible] |
| Number accepted | [illegible] |



[illegible] Mauler [illegible]

## Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XBTM-1**

Experimental model of the BTM.

**AM-1**

Torpedo and dive bomber [illegible] for use in a [illegible] missions. [illegible] bombs, mines, torpedoes, rockets, etc. [illegible] carried externally on [illegible] points on wings and fuselage. [illegible] wing [illegible]. [illegible] structure was conventional all-metal. Split dive brakes interlocked with [illegible] flaps [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible] supplementary [illegible] tank.

Weight

| | |
|---|---|
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Basic | [illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum landing | [illegible] lbs ([illegible])<br>[illegible] lbs ([illegible]) |

Power plant: One Pratt & Whitney R-4360-[illegible]

Dimensions

Wing area [illegible]
Wing span [illegible]
Length [illegible]
Height [illegible]
Ordnance
Guns [illegible]
Maximum Bomb capacity [illegible]

**Notes**
Equipped for [illegible] countermeasures

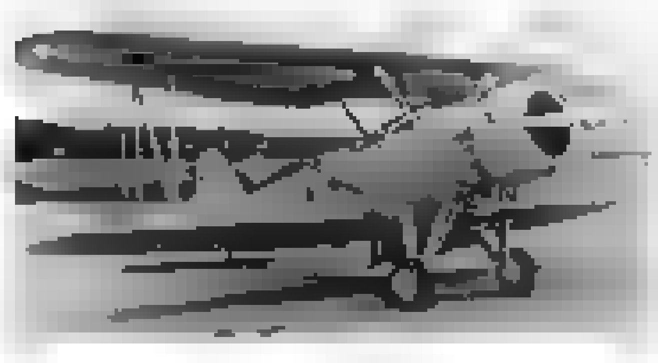
**Bureau Numbers**

| [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# BG

[illegible] biplane [illegible] the BG was the [illegible] aircraft that [illegible] organization designed and produced for the [illegible] used include the [illegible] were [illegible] for the BG [illegible] in a flight [illegible] of these planes [illegible] until [illegible]



[illegible]

## Models Accepted

**XBG**

Experimental version of the BG

**BG-1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | two |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Span | |
| upper | [illegible] ft |
| lower | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Weight | |
| gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Range | [illegible] statute miles |
| Engine | one Pratt & Whitney [illegible] hp R-[illegible] |
| Armament | |
| bomb | up to [illegible] lbs |
| guns | one .30 fixed forward firing<br>one .30 flexible in rear cockpit |

## Bureau Numbers

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| XBG | [illegible] |
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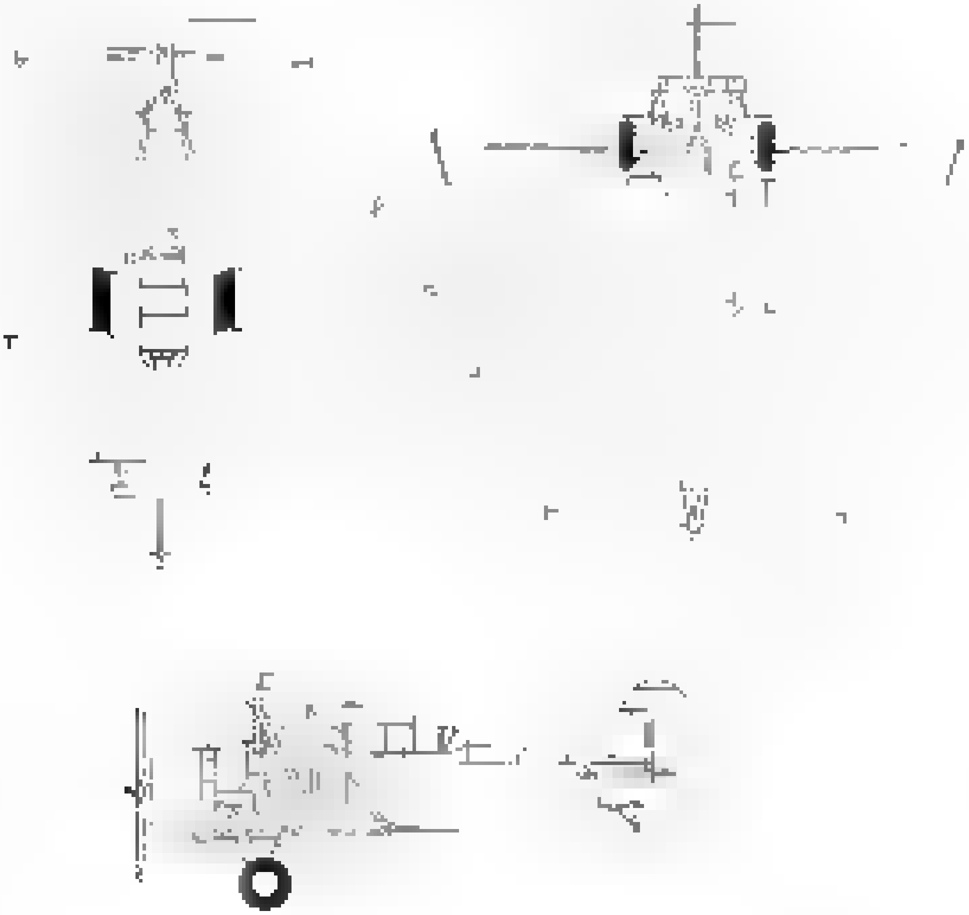

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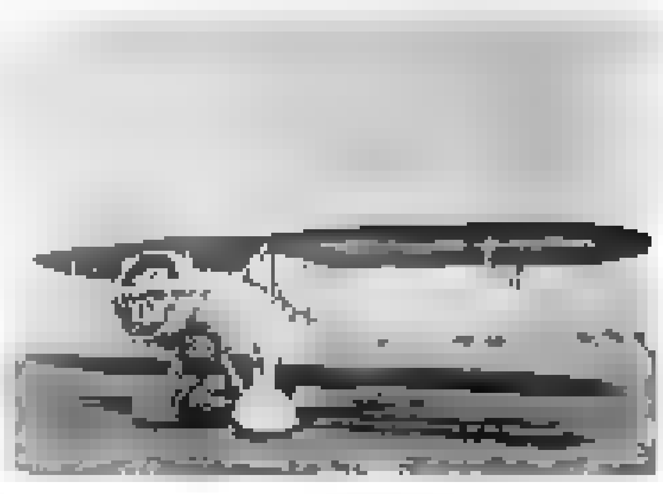
# BM

[illegible] late 1928 the [illegible] the Martin Company [illegible] to [illegible] a dive bomber that could handle a torpedo as well as a thousand pound bomb load. It was [illegible] the first [illegible] dive bomber that could [illegible] of this type. Martin built the prototype to Bureau of Aeronautics design under the designation XT5M-1. [illegible] Naval Aircraft Factory also built a prototype designated the XT2N-1. Martin's XT5M-1 first flew in the spring of 1930. The production version was designated BM-1 and was first delivered to squadrons in October [illegible]. Besides the XT5M-1, the Navy accepted [illegible] BM-1s from Martin and the XT2N-1 from the Naval Aircraft Factory.



BM-1

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XT5M-1**

Prototype of the BM-1.

**XBM-1**

Built to [illegible] for use by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA). This aircraft was not an experimental version of the BM in the usual sense [illegible] [illegible] experimental [illegible] NACA.

**BM-1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | [illegible] |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Span | |
| Upper | [illegible] ft |
| Lower | [illegible] ft |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Weights | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Loaded | [illegible] lbs |
| Range | [illegible] nautical miles |
| Engine | One [illegible] hp Pratt & Whitney R-[illegible] |
| Armament | |
| Bomb | one [illegible] bomb |
| Guns | one .30 caliber machine gun mounted within the fuselage on the right of the centerline |
| | one .30 movable gun in rear cockpit |

**BM-2**

Identical version of BM-1 with minor differences.

**XT2N-1**

Prototype manufactured by the Naval Aircraft Factory.

### Bureau Numbers

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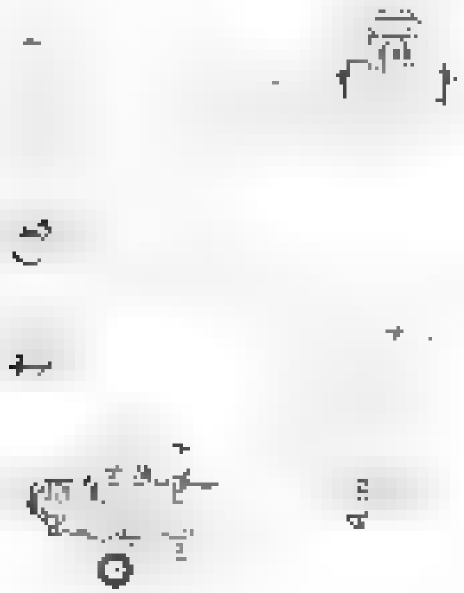
| XT2N-1 | [illegible] |
| XT5M-1 | [illegible] |
| XBM-1 | [illegible] |
| BM-1 | [illegible] |
| BM-1 | [illegible] |
| BM-2 | [illegible] |



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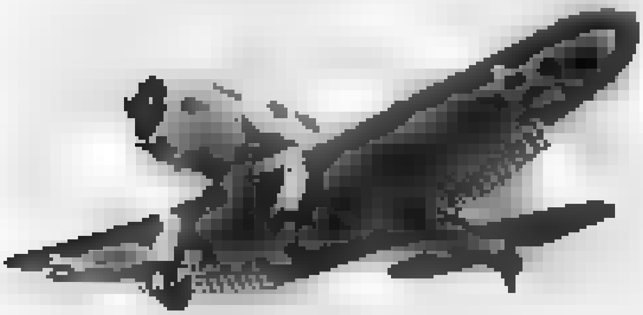
# BT

Designed by John Northrop, the aircraft conformed to his theory of using [illegible] metal structures with [illegible] features. [illegible] was designated as BT, the T being Northrop's manufacturer's letter [illegible] became a branch of the Douglas [illegible] operation in 1937. Douglas used the XBT-2 as a prototype for the aircraft that became the SBD Dauntless.



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## Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XBT**

Experimental version of the BT.

**BT-1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | two |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq. ft |
| Weights | |
| gross | [illegible] lbs |
| useful | [illegible] lbs |
| Range | 5[illegible] statute miles |
| Engine | one 825 hp Pratt & Whitney R-1535 |
| Armament | |
| bomb | one [illegible] pound |
| guns | one .50 [illegible] forward-firing |
| | one .30 flexible, dorsal |

**XBT-2**

Slightly modified version of the BT-1. The XBT-2 served as a prototype for the SBD Dauntless.

## Bureau Numbers

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| XBT | [illegible] |
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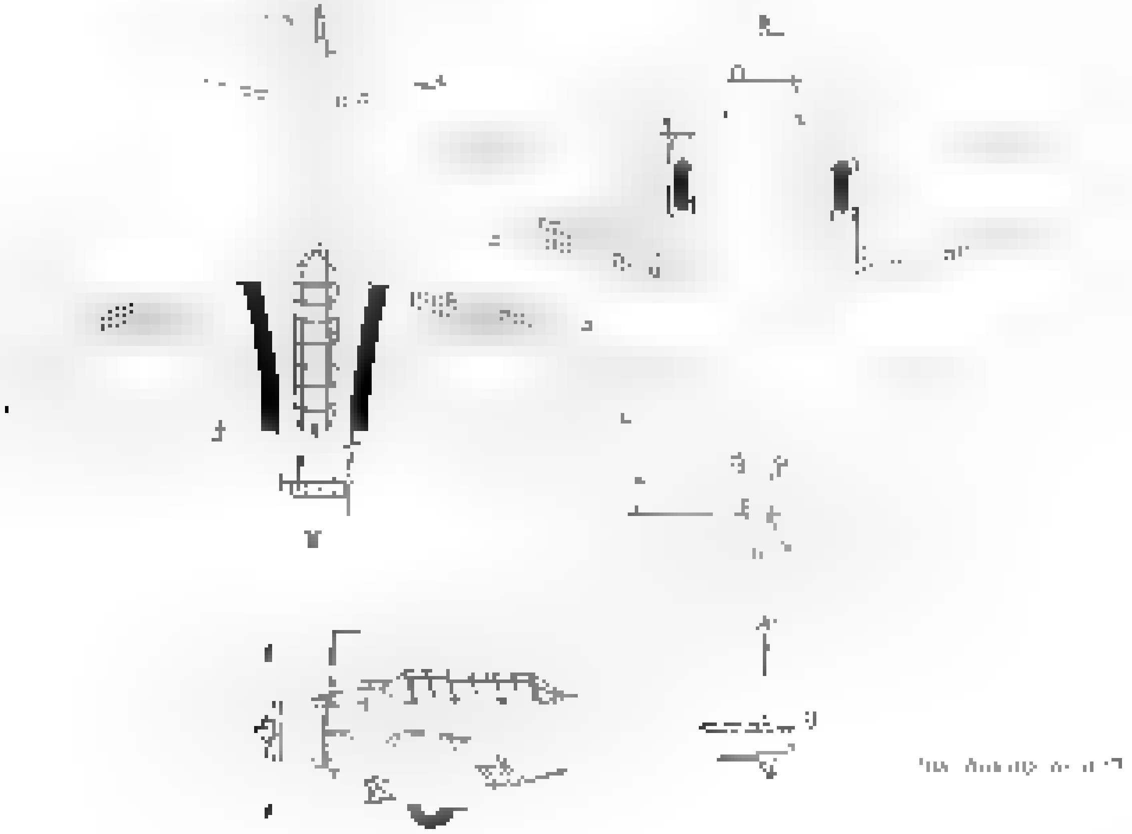
| XBT | [illegible] |



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## CS and SC

In [illegible] development [illegible] the history of [illegible] the aircraft has a story to tell. [illegible] designed and built [illegible] biplane [illegible] equipped with floats [illegible] and powered by [illegible] engine. [illegible] the development [illegible] for the [illegible] subsequent competition for the production [illegible] the SC.

[illegible] The [illegible] powered by a Wright [illegible] engine [illegible] powered by a Wright [illegible] distance [illegible] speed [illegible]

[illegible] The SC was [illegible] It was [illegible] The specifications of the SC are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Span | [illegible] and folding wings that folded along the fuselage |
| Length | [illegible] ft |
| Wing area | 85[illegible] sq ft |
| Gross Weight | [illegible] lbs for the SC<br>[illegible] lbs for the SC |

[illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| Empty Weight | [illegible] lbs for the SC<br>[illegible] lbs for the SC |
| Engine | Wright [illegible] engine |
| Maximum Speed | [illegible] mph |

### Bureau Numbers

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| [illegible] | [illegible] |
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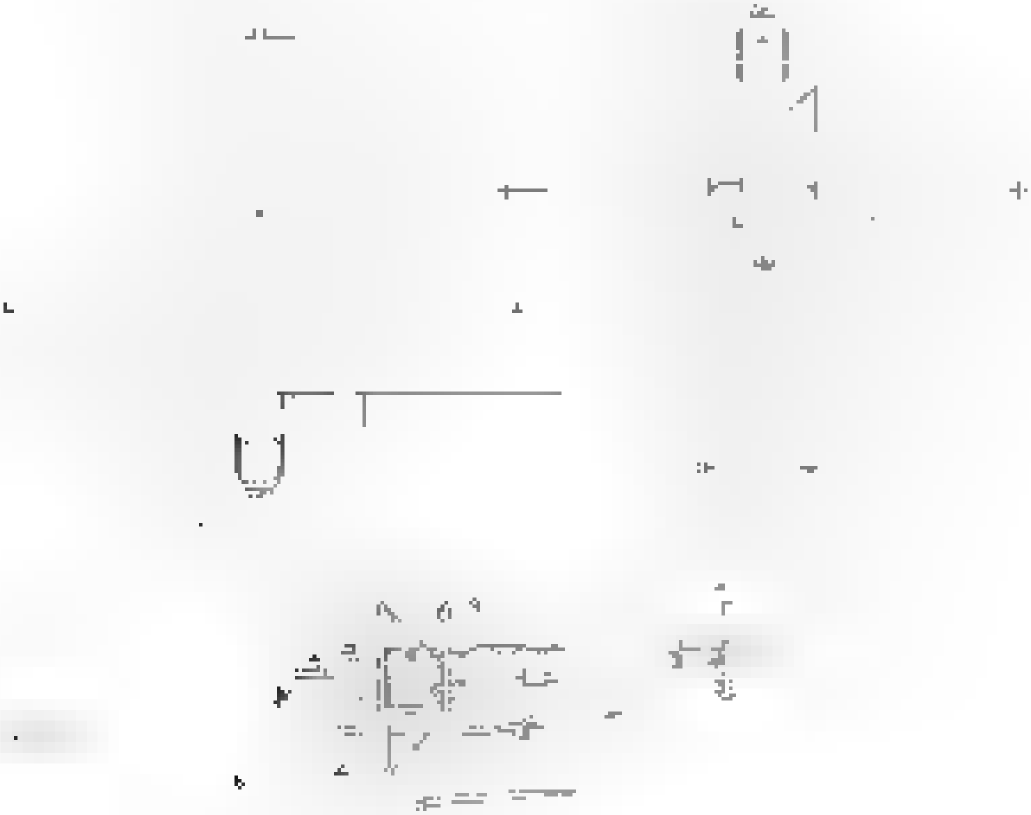

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# DT-2

In 19[illegible] the Na[illegible] Department ordered a torpedo bomber from the Douglas Aircraft Company. Douglas was a new company at the time and had yet to produce an aircraft for either the Army or the Navy. The company's owner, Donald W. Douglas Sr., personally designed the aircraft that would be the [illegible]. Powered by [illegible] horsepower Liberty, the DT[illegible] had folding wings. It made its first flight in November 1921. Although there were three aircraft in the original order, only one was accepted with the designation DT-1; the other two [illegible]. All subsequent were accepted as DT-2.

Eventually the DT-2 was supplied to the Navy by four companies: Douglas built [illegible], the Naval Aircraft Factory [illegible] under the designations DT-2 and DT-4, Dayton-Wright built [illegible] DT-2s, and LWF (Lowe, Willard and Fowler) built [illegible] DT-2s. The aircraft was first delivered to squadrons in December 192[illegible]. It was last reported in squadron [illegible] in April 192[illegible].

[illegible] DT[illegible] Douglas [illegible]

## Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**DT-1**

Initial designation of the DT-[illegible], see below.

**DT-2**

Specifications for the landplane configuration are given below. Some of the floatplane's dimensions were slightly different.

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | pilot and observer |
| Engine | one Liberty [illegible] hp |
| Length | 3[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Weights | |
| Full load | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Armament | one [illegible] pound torpedo<br>fixed gun and [illegible] rounds |
| Range | about [illegible] nautical miles |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | 3[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Span | 5[illegible] ft |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |

## Other Designations

**DT-4**

Same as DT-2 but powered by the Wright T-2 [illegible] hp engine. The DT-4 were a modification of the DT-2 by the Naval Aircraft Factory.

## Bureau Numbers

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|---|---|---|
| DT[illegible] | A60[illegible]–A6[illegible] | |
| DT | A6085–[illegible] | Dayton-Wright |
| DT | A[illegible]–[illegible] | Douglas |
| DT | A[illegible]–A[illegible]28 | Naval Aircraft Factory |
| DT | A65[illegible]–A65[illegible] | Douglas |
| DT-2 | A65[illegible]–A660[illegible] | LWF |

[illegible]

## F-4 Phantom II

The F4H-1 Phantom II was an unsolicited proposal from the McDonnell Aircraft Corporation to the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics in 1953. It was originally designed as a twin-engine attack fighter and the aircraft's initial designation was AH-1. Later, the Navy made changes in the specifications to require a high-altitude, long-range fighter with the designation F4H-1. The name Phantom II was chosen to continue the aircraft's lineage from McDonnell's FH-1 Phantom, which was the first jet aircraft the Navy operated. The Phantom II first flew on [illegible] and was first assigned to squadron VF-[illegible] in December 1960. It was the first to be one of the finest aircraft ever operated from carriers and [illegible]. Before the last delivery was made in [illegible] the Navy had accepted [illegible] Phantom IIs, [illegible] of which were for foreign countries. The aircraft's designation was changed to F-4 in 1962.

### *Model Designations Accepted From the Manufacturer (New Builds)*

**F4H-1F/F-4A**

Two-place, twin-engine, long-range, carrier-based all-weather fighter carrying missiles and special stores.

**F4H-1/F-4B**

A modification of the F4H-1F with the J79-GE-8 engines. Specifications for the F4H-1/F-4B are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | Two |
| Power Plant | Two General Electric J79-GE-8 |
| Range | Maximum combat [illegible] nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum landing | [illegible] lbs (arrested) |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Span | 38 ft |
| Length | 58 ft |
| Height | 16 ft |
| Tread | [illegible] ft |
| Ordnance | AIM-7 Sparrow and AIM-9 Sidewinder missile |

**F4H-1P/RF-4B**

F-4B equipped for photography.

**F-4J**

Similar to F-4B, equipped with the AWG-10 pulse doppler radar and improved electronics.

An F4H-1 Phantom II in flight, circa 1959.

### Other Designations

**TF-4A**

Trainer version [illegible] not carrier deployable.

**QF-4B**

Modified as a drone or control plane. Suitable for operational use.

**F-4G**

F-4B aircraft equipped with two-way [illegible] digital data communications set AN/ASW-[illegible] for all-weather [illegible] modes of flight including automatic [illegible] carrier [illegible] landing.

**YF-4J**

Similar to F-4B but equipped with Phase [illegible] capabilities.

**RF-4J**

Similar to RF-4B but with improved engine. [illegible] use.

**F-4N**

Extensive redesign of F-4B.

**F-4S**

F-4J modified for extended service life.

### U.S. Air Force Use

| | |
|---|---|
| F-4C | EF-4C |
| RF-4C | F-4D |
| EF-4D | F-4E |
| RF-4E | YF-4E |
| F-4F | TF-4E |

### Foreign Military Use

| | |
|---|---|
| F-4K | F-4M |

### Bureau Numbers

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| F-4A [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F-4B [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] RF-4B | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] | | |
| F-4J | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | Transferred | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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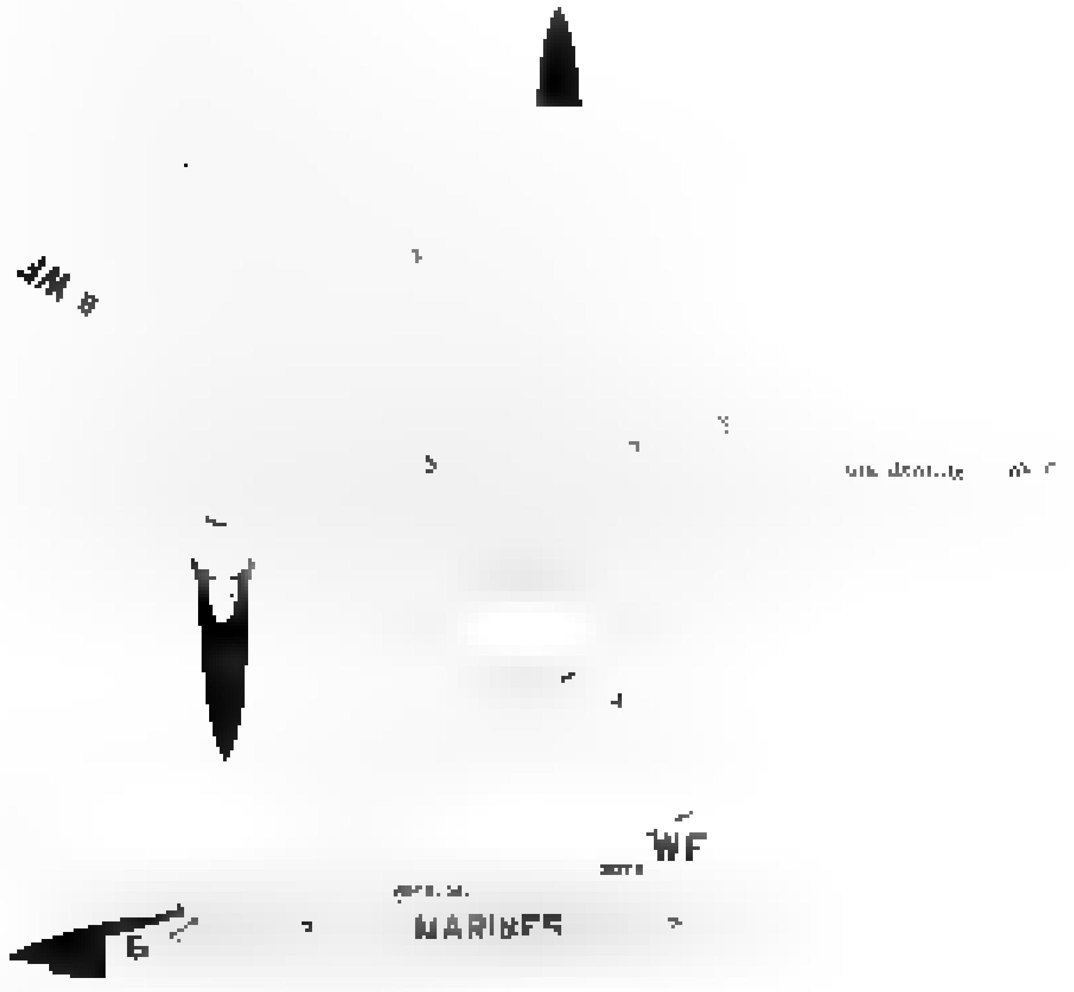


# F-5 (T-38) Talon

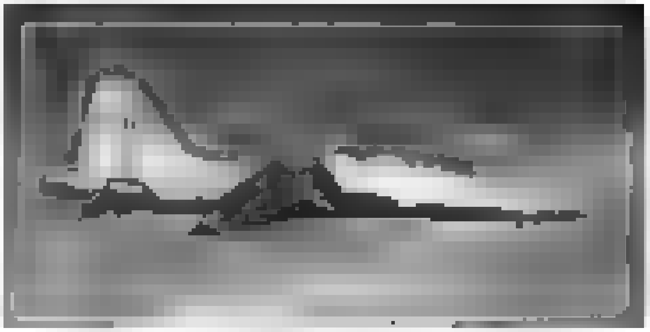
[illegible] October 1969 the [illegible] took delivery of its first Northrop T-38 Talon supersonic trainer. This was the first of five [illegible] Naval Test Pilot School at Patuxent River, Maryland. The aircraft had been in use by the Air Force since 1961. [illegible] development work that produced the T-38 design, Northrop developed the F-5 Tiger II for the Air Force. In [illegible] the [illegible] began using the F-5E Tiger II at the [illegible] Fighter Weapons School as an adversary aircraft.

## Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**F-5E**

Initial version of the Tiger II used by the Navy. The following are characteristics of the F-5E:

Crew: One
Power Plant: Two [illegible] 5,000-lb General Electric J85-GE-21 turbojets
Weight
Maximum takeoff: [illegible] lbs
Empty: [illegible] lbs



[illegible] Tiger II [illegible]

Dimensions
Wing span: [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Wing area: 186 sq ft
Length: [illegible] ft
Height: [illegible] ft [illegible] in

**F-5F**

Upgraded F-5E. Two-seat fighter trainer.

## Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| F-5E | [illegible] |
| F-5F | [illegible] |

# F2H (F-2) Banshee

Beginning with the [illegible] XF2D-1, the Banshee was the [illegible] McDonnell aircraft to bear the company's [illegible] designation letter "D." The change was made [illegible] of 28 August 1947. The immediate successor to McDonnell's FH-1 Phantom, the Banshee bore a great resemblance to the Phantom but was larger. The Navy placed the first order for the single-seat carrier-based fighter on 2 March 1945. The first flight occurred in [illegible] 1947. It was first delivered to VF-171 in March 1949 and its last squadron assignment was reported [illegible] on 30 September 1959. A total of 895 Banshees were procured.

[illegible]

## Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XF2H-1**

Experimental version of the F2H.

**F2H-1**

Powered by two Westinghouse J34-WE-22 engines [illegible] lbs of thrust.

**F2H-2**

Longer fuselage than the F2H-1 [illegible] tanks on wing tips and powered by two J34-34 engines. Specifications for the F2H-2 are as follows:

Crew: One
Engine: 2 Westinghouse 3,250 lbs takeoff J34-34
Weight:
Empty: [illegible] lbs
Gross: [illegible] lbs
Armament:
Bombs: [illegible] lbs maximum
Guns: Four 20 mm fixed [illegible]
Combat range: [illegible] 280 nautical miles
Height: [illegible]
Length: [illegible]
Wing span: [illegible]
Wing area: [illegible] sq ft

**F2H-2N**

F2H-2 configured for night operations.

**F2H-2P**

F2H-2 configured for photographic reconnaissance.

**F2H-3 (Became F-2C)**

Basically the F2H-2 adapted to all-weather [illegible].

**F2H-4 (Became F-2D)**

The F2H-3 with improved radar equipment.

### Bureau Numbers

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| XF2H-1 | 99858–99860 |
| F2H-1 | [illegible] |
| F2H-1 | [illegible] |
| F2H-2 | [illegible] |
| F2H-2N | [illegible] |
| F2H-2 | [illegible] |
| F2H-2 | [illegible] |
| F2H-2P | 125072–125079 |
| F2H-2 | [illegible] |
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| F2H-3 | [illegible] |
| F2H-2P | [illegible] |
| F2H-3 | [illegible] |
| F2H-3 | [illegible] |
| F2H-3P | 127694–127695 (all canceled) |
| F2H-3 | 128745–128856 (all canceled) |
| F2H-2 | [illegible] |
| F2H-3P | [illegible] (all canceled) |

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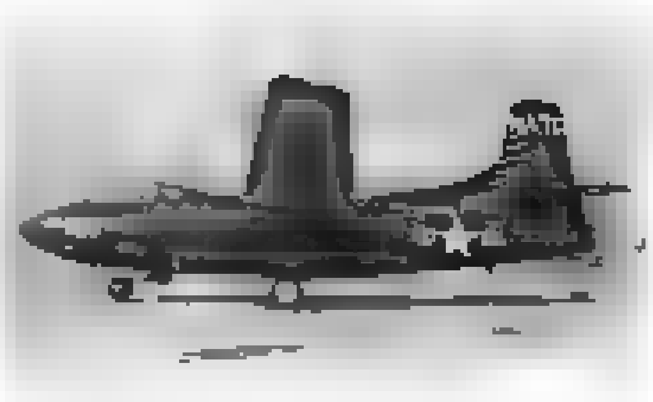
# F3D (F-10) Skyknight

In April 1946 the [illegible] awarded the Douglas company a contract to produce the first carrier-based, all-weather, jet-powered night-fighter system. The aircraft first flew in March 1948 and was delivered to the first squadron [illegible] in February 1951. The last delivery was in [illegible] 1953; a total of 268 aircraft were accepted. It was last reported in squadrons in 1970. The aircraft's designation was changed to F-10 in 1962. The Skyknight versions F3D-[illegible] and F3D-[illegible] both deployed. Plans for an F3D-[illegible] were [illegible] cancelled and no aircraft of that designation were accepted.



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### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XF3D-1**

Experimental version of the Skyknight. Three aircraft were built.

**F3D-1 (F-10A)**

[illegible] production F3D-1s were [illegible] personnel. The F3D-1 designation was changed to F-10A in 1962. The characteristics of the F3D-1 are as follows:

Crew: Two
Power Plant: Two [illegible]-lb Westinghouse J34-WE-34 turbojets. Radius: [illegible]5 nautical miles
Weight
Gross: [illegible] lb
Dimensions
Wing
Area: 400 sq ft
Span: 50 ft
Height: [illegible] ft 5 in
Length: [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Ordnance: Four 20mm nose guns with 800 rounds

**F3D-2 (F-10B)**

This second version of the Skyknight used the [illegible] Westinghouse J34-WE-36 engine. A total of [illegible] were produced. The designation was changed to F-10B in 1962.

### Other Designations

**F3D-1M and F3D-2M (MF-10B)**

F3D-1s and F3D-2s equipped with radar and provisions for [illegible] missiles. The F3D-2M designation was changed to MF-10B in 1962. The F3D-1M was no longer in service in 1962.

**F3D-2Q (EF-10B)**

F3D-2 modified for electronic warfare. One of the earliest tactical jet aircraft modified for the electronic countermeasures role. The designation was changed to EF-10B in 1962.

**F3D-2T**

F3D-2s [illegible] modified as [illegible] trainers. The designation was no longer in service in 1962.

**F3D-2T2 (TF-10B)**

F3D-2T equipped with [illegible] radar. The designation was changed to TF-10B in 1962.

### Bureau Numbers

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| XF3D | [illegible]–[illegible] |
| F3D-1 | [illegible]–[illegible] |
| F3D-2 | [illegible]–[illegible] |
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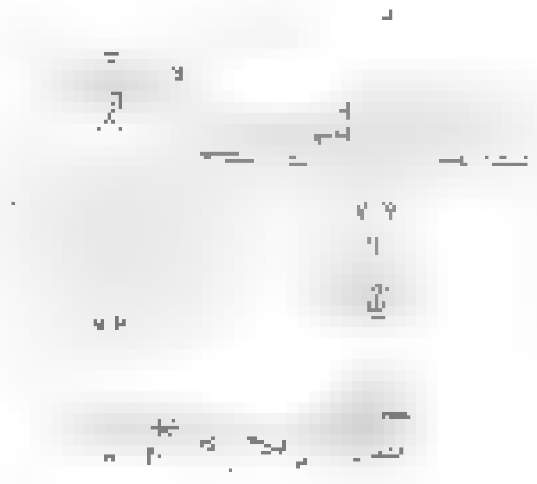
| F3D-3 | [illegible]–[illegible] all cancelled |



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# F3H (F-3) Demon

The F3H Demon was designed by the McDonnell Company [illegible] to provide [illegible] jet-powered, all-weather interception [illegible] the F3D Skyknight [illegible] incorporating the [illegible] jet-powered carrier-based [illegible] planes. The Demon would be one of the earliest [illegible] fighters to deploy with [illegible] missiles and was the first single-engine fighter [illegible] McDonnell [illegible] the Navy. The Demon made its initial flight in August [illegible]. The [illegible] in [illegible] 1956. The [illegible] ultimately [illegible] with [illegible] aircraft [illegible] December [illegible]. A total of [illegible] aircraft were [illegible] it was [illegible] replaced in squadrons [illegible] F-4s in August [illegible]. The F3H was redesignated the F-3 in 1962.

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XF3H-1**

The experimental version of the Demon [illegible] were accepted by the Navy. It was initially intended to be powered by the Westinghouse [illegible] engine, which [illegible] the [illegible] but production problems with the [illegible] engine led to [illegible] of the [illegible] powered by the Westinghouse [illegible]. The production problems resulted in [illegible] the Allison [illegible] engine. The production version of the Westinghouse [illegible] was designated [illegible] and it was the engine that would power the initial production F3H-1s, while the Allison [illegible] powered the later aircraft.

**F3H-1**

First production version of the Demon. The F3H-1 designation was no longer in use [illegible] at the time of the redesignation in [illegible].

[illegible] F3H [illegible] landing [illegible]

**F3H-1N**

All-weather version of the F3H.

**F3H-2 (F-3B)**

Production version. Powered by Allison [illegible] engine. Redesignated F-3B in 1962.

**F3H-2M (MF-3B)**

The F3H-2M was equipped to launch four Sparrow III air-to-air missiles. The aircraft was redesignated MF-3B in 1962. Its characteristics were as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | One |
| Power Plant | One [illegible] lb Allison J[illegible]-A-2 engine |
| Combat Radius | [illegible] statute miles |
| Weight | |
| Maximum takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | 519 sq ft |
| Span | 35 ft 4 in |
| Length | 58 ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Armament | Four Sparrow III air-to-air missiles, also four 20mm fixed forward-firing guns with 600 rounds. |

**F3H-2N (F-3C)**

All-weather version of the F3H-2. Also armed with Sidewinder missiles. Redesignated F-3C in 1962.

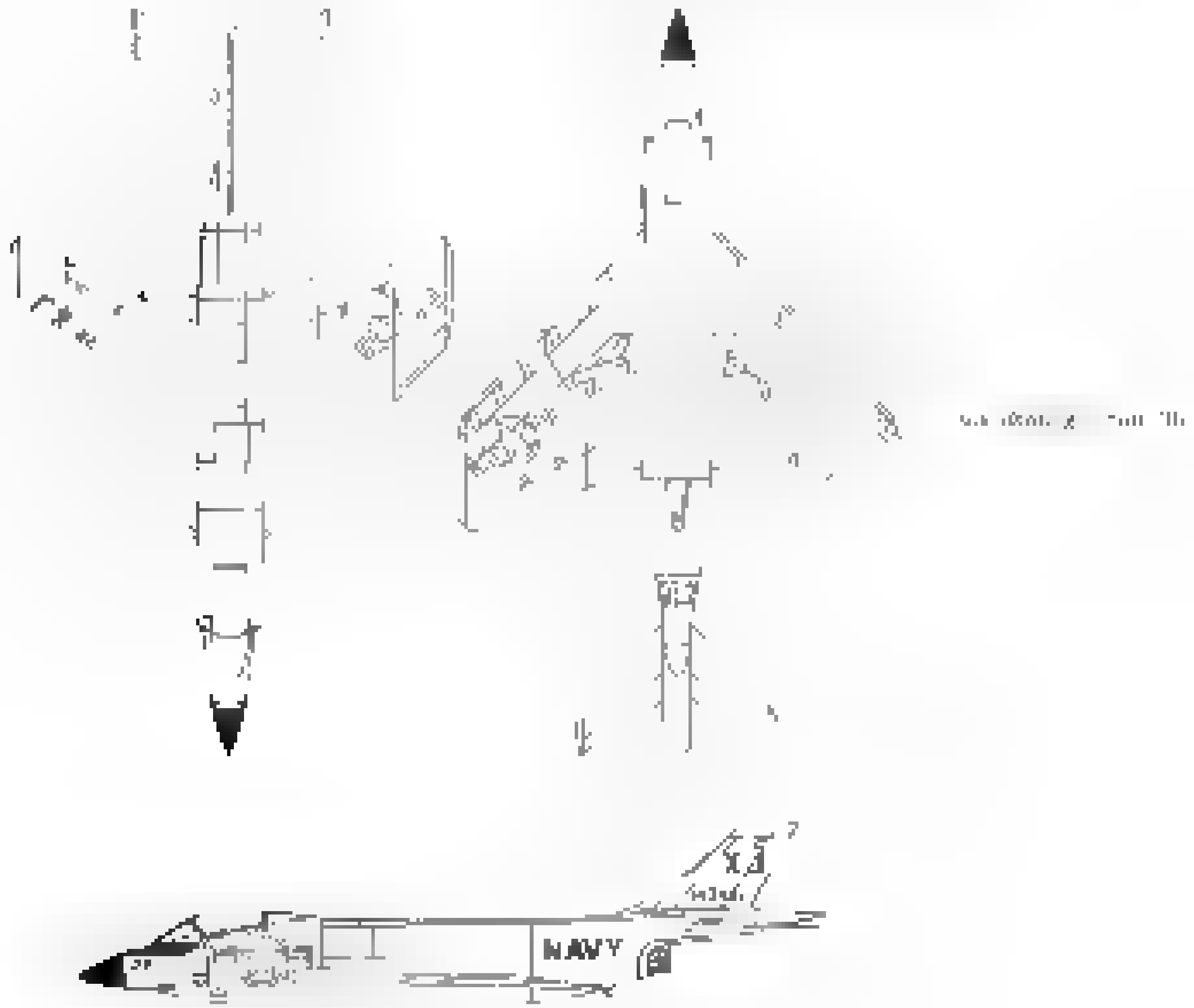
### *Other Designations*

**F3H-1P and -2P**

Equipped for reconnaissance.

### *Bureau Numbers*

| | |
|---|---|
| F3H-1N | [illegible] (cancelled) [illegible] cancelled [illegible] cancelled [illegible] |
| F3H-1 | [illegible] |
| F3H-2 | [illegible] cancelled [illegible] |
| F3H-2M | [illegible] |
| F3H-2N | [illegible] |
| F3H-2P | [illegible] cancelled |



# F4D (F-6) Skyray

The Navy [illegible] fighter [illegible] in [illegible] Douglas for the aircraft design that became the F4D Skyray [illegible] to meet the requirement [illegible] high rate of climb [illegible] designers came up with [illegible] swept-back modified delta wing [illegible] The F4D [illegible] 1956 [illegible] squadron [illegible] until [illegible] squadron [illegible] Fighter Squadron [illegible] February [illegible] The F4D [illegible] was redesignated F-6A in 1962. A total of [illegible] Skyrays were accepted.

[illegible]

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XF4D-1**

Experimental version of the F4D.

**F4D-1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | One |
| Power Plant | One Pratt & Whitney J57-P-8 [illegible] |
| Combat Radius | 590 nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Maximum takeoff | [illegible] lbs [illegible] |
| Basic | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | 557 sq ft |
| Span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Ordnance | Wing provisions for rockets. Four 20mm fixed forward-firing guns with [illegible] rounds. |

### Bureau Numbers

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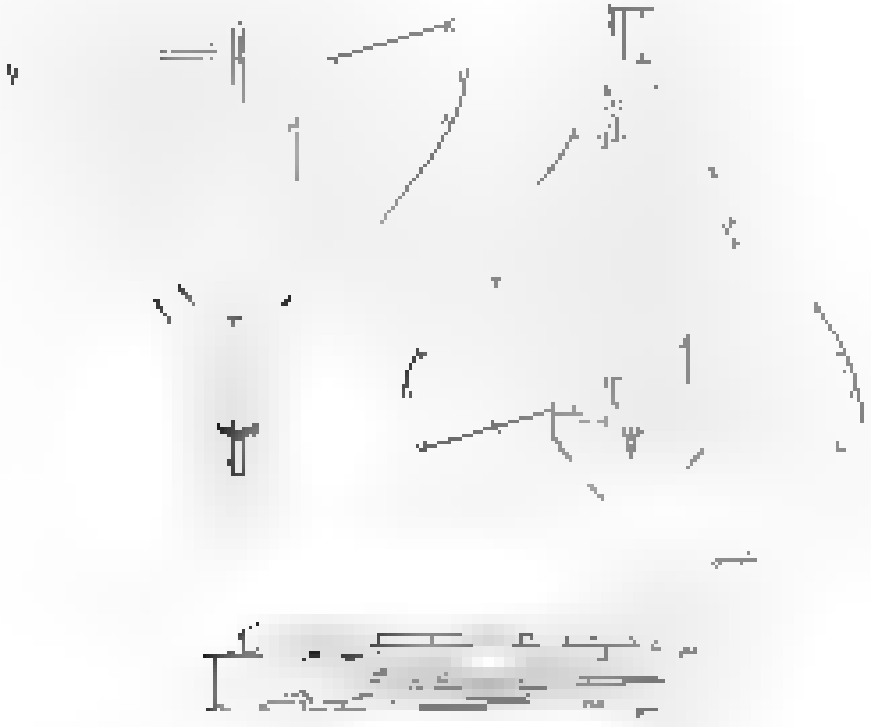
| XF4D-1 | [illegible] |
| F4D-1 | [illegible] |



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## F4U/FG/F3A Corsair

The Corsair was designed in response to the Navy's request to industry on 1[illegible] June 1938 to produce a new single-engine carrier-based fighter aircraft. The [illegible] resulted from [illegible] requirement the [illegible] and [illegible] industry [illegible] than [illegible] single-engine [illegible] with [illegible] design that [illegible] the use of a propeller of unusually large diameter and inverted gull wings, which kept the main landing gear short and retractable straight back, but the fuselage was high enough to compensate for the large blades driven by the Pratt & Whitney R-2800 Double Wasp, the first 2,000-horsepower engine to be flown in a Navy fighter aircraft. The Navy designated the airplane F4U[illegible].

The XF4U[illegible] made its initial flight on [illegible] May 1940. The first squadron delivery of the Corsair occurred on [illegible] October 1942, when VF-12 accepted an F4U-1. The Navy accepted the last delivery of a Corsair in [illegible] 19[illegible].

Because production orders were so large during the Second World War, the [illegible] production orders to be made to Goodyear, who built the Corsair under the designations FG-1 and FG-1D, and to Brewster, who built the aircraft as the F3A-1. Vought built [illegible] aircraft of which [illegible] were for foreign use; Goodyear built 4,00[illegible] of which 1,9[illegible] were for foreign use; and Brewster built 7[illegible] of which 430 were for foreign use. A model that was designed to fulfill a strike role was the [illegible] bought under the designation AU.

### Models Accepted from Vought (New Builds)

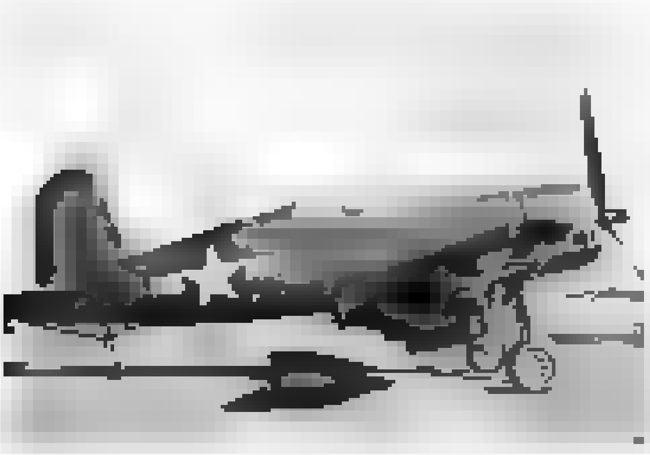
**XF4U-1**

*Experimental version of the F4U.*

**F4U-1**

Specifications for the F4U-1 are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | One |
| Engine | One R-2800-8 or -8W |
| Propeller | Hamilton Standard constant speed three-bladed hydromatic, 1[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | 3[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | 1[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Weight | |
| empty | 8,[illegible] lbs |
| gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Armament | Six .50-caliber fixed guns, total 2,[illegible] rounds |
| Combat radius | about [illegible] nautical miles |



F4U-1 Corsair

**F4U-1B**

F4U-1 for the United Kingdom.

**F4U-1C**

Same as F4U-1 but equipped with four 20-mm guns and [illegible] rounds. Later redesignated F4U-1B.

**F4U-1D**

Same as F4U-1 but equipped with wing pylons for carrying droppable tanks, bombs or rockets.

**F4U-4**

Same as F4U-1 but powered by a Pratt & Whitney R-2800-18W engine. Also an improved armament arrangement.

**F4U-4B**

Same as the F4U-4 for the United Kingdom.

**F4U-4C**

Same as F4U-4 but with four 20-mm guns and [illegible] rounds. Later redesignated F4U-4B.

**F4U-4P**

F4U-4 equipped for photography.

**F4U-5**

Same as F4U-4 except for two-stage engine, Pratt & Whitney R-2800-32W.

**F4U-5N**

Same as F4U-5 but equipped for night fighting.

**F4U-5P**

Same as F4U-5 but equipped for photography.

**F4U-7**

The end of the Corsair production line. The F4U-7 was similar to the AU-1 except for being powered by the Pratt & Whitney R-2800-18W engine. These aircraft were built for France under the Mutual Defense Assistance Plan.

**AU-1**

F4U-5 but equipped to fulfill a ground support attack role. This version was powered by the Pratt & Whitney R-2800-83WA engine. Armament included four 20-mm guns with 924 rounds. Maximum bomb [illegible] pounds. There was a new instrument panel [illegible] and additional armor over the F4U-1.

### Models Accepted from Goodyear (New Builds)

**FG-1**
F4U-1 built by Goodyear.

**FG-1B**
F4U-1B built by Goodyear for the United Kingdom.

**FG-1A**
F4U-1A built by Goodyear.

**FG-1D**
F4U-1D built by Goodyear.

### Models Accepted from Brewster (New Builds)

**F3A-1**
F4U-1 built by Brewster.

### Other Designations

**[illegible]**
F4U-1 equipped for [illegible] operations.

**FG-1E**
FG-1 equipped with [illegible] radar.

**FG-3**
Development of FG-1D with two-stage turbo-supercharged engine.

**FG-4**
Same as F[illegible]

**F3A-1**
Similar to F[illegible] except engine and [illegible] arrangement of [illegible]

**F3A-2**
[illegible] version of the F3A-1 with folding wings and [illegible]

**F3A-3**
Same as F[illegible]

### Bureau Numbers

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| F4U-4B | [illegible] |
| F4U-4P | [illegible] |
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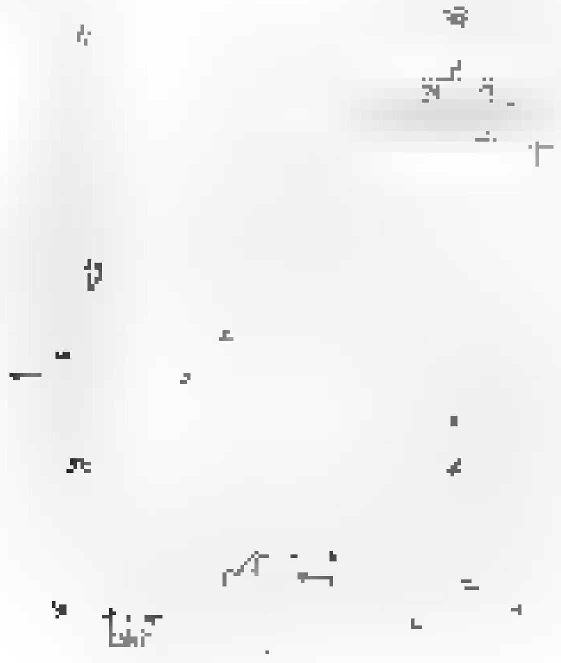

# F6F Hellcat

Among the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] the most [illegible]. The Grumman Company's F6F Hellcat [illegible] well [illegible] the Japanese Zero [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] to an overwhelming degree [illegible]. The F6F [illegible] in 19[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] the Zero's [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the Pacific Theater [illegible] the end of World War II. The [illegible] Hellcats [illegible] squadron [illegible] in August 19[illegible].

## Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

### XF6F-1/2/4

The original contract called for [illegible] prototypes to be designated XF6F-1 and powered by the Wright R-2600 engine. Before they were built, the [illegible] decided to change the powerplant and equip one of the prototypes with the Pratt & Whitney R-2800. The one still powered with the Wright R-2600 was designated XF6F-1; the one powered by the Pratt & Whitney R-2800 was designated as the XF6F-3. A third aircraft was equipped with the Wright R-2600 that was fitted with a [illegible] supercharger and was designated XF6F-[illegible].

### F6F-3

Specifications for the F6F-[illegible] are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | One |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Span | |
| spread | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| folded | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Weight | |
| empty | [illegible] lbs |
| loaded | [illegible] lbs |
| Range | [illegible] statute mile |
| Engine | Pratt & Whitney R-2800-10 |
| Armament | |
| bombs | [illegible] lbs |
| guns | [illegible] cal. fixed forward firing |

### F6F-3E

F6F-3 equipped with APS radar

### F6F-3N

F6F-3 equipped for night operations

### XF6F-6

This was an improved XF6F-[illegible] equipped with a [illegible] speed Pratt & Whitney R-2800 engine

### F6F-5

The main difference between the F6F-3 and the F6F-5 was in a reshaped windshield, increased armor

[illegible]

[illegible] strength [illegible] spring tab ailerons and [illegible] The F6F-5 has about [illegible] increase in speed over the F6F-3.

**F6F-5N**

The F6F-5 equipped for night operations.

**XF6F-6**

Experimental [illegible] Powered by a [illegible] Pratt & Whitney R-2800 engine [illegible] four-bladed propeller.

### *Other Designations*

**F6F-5D**

Modified as a drone director aircraft.

**F6F-5K**

Modified as [illegible] target drone.

**F6F-5P**

Equipped for photographic reconnaissance.

### *Bureau Numbers*

| | |
|---|---|
| XF6F-1 | 02981 |
| XF6F-3 | 02982 |
| F6F-3 | [illegible] |
| F6F-3 | [illegible] |
| F6F-3N | [illegible] |
| F6F-3N, 3E | [illegible] |
| F6F-5N | [illegible] |
| F6F | [illegible] |
| F6F | [illegible] |
| XF6F-4 | [illegible] |
| F6F-5N, 5P | [illegible] |
| XF6F-6 | [illegible] |
| F6F-5N, 5P | [illegible] |
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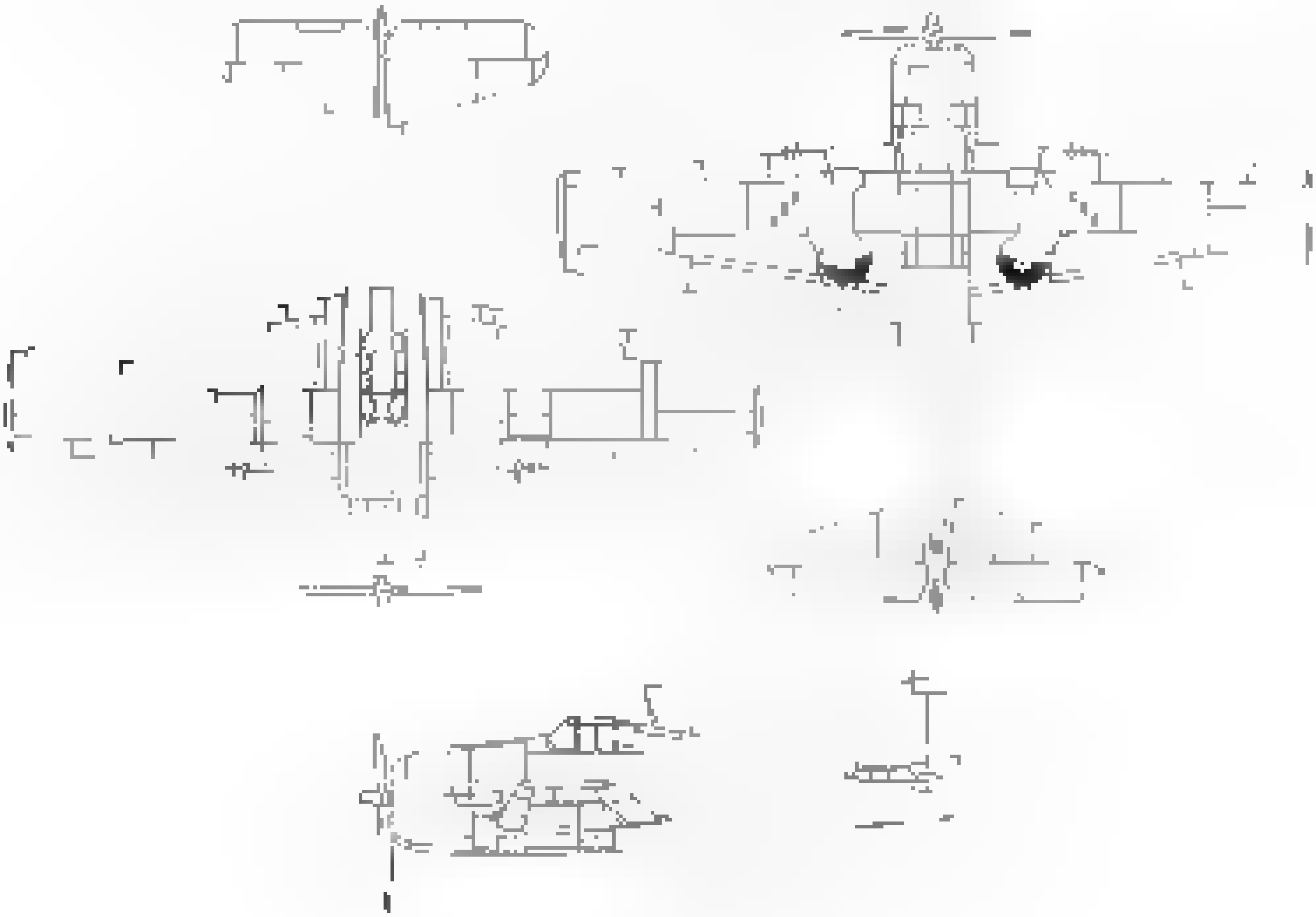

[illegible]

## F7F Tigercat

Another of the [illegible] fighters produced in World War II but never saw combat in that conflict and was quickly replaced by jet power. The Tigercat was a twin-engine, tricycle landing gear, carrier-based plane with greater fire-power and [illegible] than [illegible] conventional [illegible] all [illegible] fighter. [illegible] the initial contract for the F7F in June 1941. The plane first flew on [illegible] November 1943 [illegible] took the model [illegible] into service in January 1945 [illegible] F7Fs [illegible] land-based [illegible] with the [illegible] in [illegible] January 1945 [illegible] reported [illegible] F7F-3N [illegible] the last [illegible] were reported [illegible] squadron. A total of [illegible] were accepted.

### *Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)*

**XF7F-1**

Experimental version of the F7F.

**F7F-1N**

Night fighter powered by two Pratt & Whitney R-2800-22W engines and equipped with radar.

**XF7F-2N**

Experimental version of the F7F-2N.

**F7F-2N**

Same as F7F-1 but equipped for two crewmen, pilot and radar operator. Powered by two Pratt & Whitney R-2800-22W engines.

An F7F Tigercat in flight [illegible]

**F7F-3**

This version was similar to the F7F-2N but built for pilot only, the radar operator [illegible] fitted with [illegible] upgraded Pratt & Whitney R-2800-[illegible]W.

**F7F-3N**

Another two-place [illegible] operator [illegible] in place of the [illegible] was equipped with a nose radome.

**F7F-4N**

Structurally modified [illegible] The F7F-4N was a two-place night fighter with radar operator and [illegible] powered by two Pratt & Whitney R-2800-[illegible]W engines. Characteristics for the F7F-4N are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | Two |
| Power Plant | Two [illegible] hp Pratt & Whitney R-2800-[illegible]W |
| Combat Radius | [illegible] miles |
| Weight | |
| Maximum Takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Basic | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Ordnance | Four [illegible] fixed wing guns with [illegible] rounds |
| | Provisions on wings and fuselage for [illegible] bombs, rockets and [illegible] |
| | Maximum [illegible] [illegible] lbs |

## *Other Designations*

**F7F**

[illegible] designation [illegible] F7F [illegible] designation [illegible]

**F7F-2P**

F7F-[illegible] modified for photographic [illegible]

**F7F-3P**

F7F-[illegible] modified for photographic [illegible]

## *Bureau Numbers*

| | |
|---|---|
| XF7F | [illegible] |
| F7F-1 | [illegible] |
| F7F | [illegible] |
| XF7F-2N | [illegible] |
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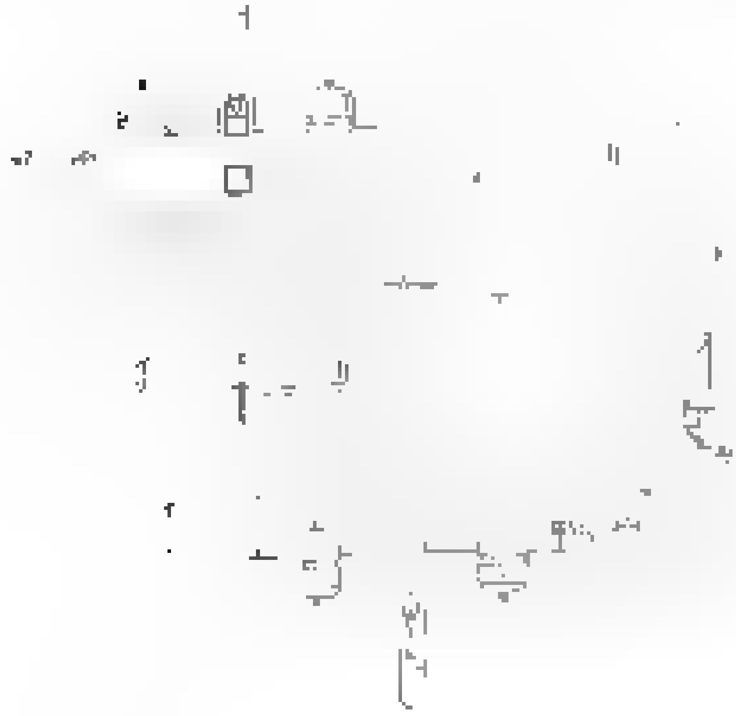

# F7U Cutlass

The Vought Company designed the Cutlass as a tailless carrier-based fighter for [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible]. Three models were designated [illegible] and [illegible] production with the [illegible] of the [illegible] were produced. Experience with the [illegible] indicated that the [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible]. The [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] the first [illegible] in the fleet [illegible] fighter aircraft.

The [illegible] [illegible] for the XF7U [illegible] on [illegible] June [illegible]. The aircraft first flew in August [illegible]. The first squadron delivered [illegible] F7U [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]. A total of [illegible] F7U were delivered to the N[illegible]

[illegible] in flight [illegible] (Photo [illegible])

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

XF7U

Experimental model of the F7U.

F7U

Initial production model of the Cutlass used for training only.

F7U-3

Production model assigned to fleet squadrons. Specifications for the F7U-3 are as follows:

Crew: [illegible]

Engine: [illegible] Westinghouse [illegible] lb [illegible] engines

Weight:

empty [illegible] lb

loaded [illegible] lb

Armament:

rockets [illegible]

guns [illegible] 20 mm cannon

Range: about [illegible] nautical miles

Height: [illegible] ft [illegible] in

Length: [illegible] ft [illegible] in

Wing span: [illegible] ft [illegible] in

F7U-3M

F7U with provisions for [illegible] guided missiles.

F7U-3P

F7U equipped for photographic reconnaissance.

### Bureau Numbers

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| XF7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] canceled |
| F7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | all canceled |
| F7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | all canceled |
| F7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F7U-[illegible] | [illegible] | | |
| F7U | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F7U-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F7U-3P | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
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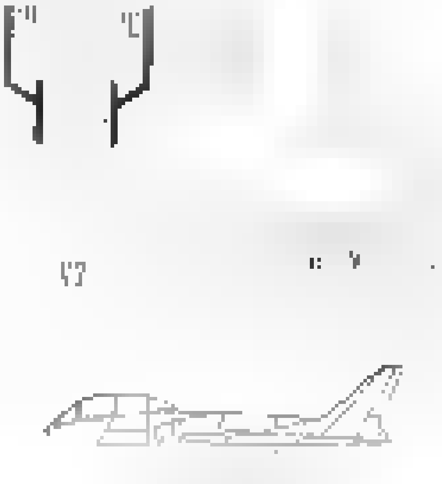

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# F8F Bearcat

In November 19[illegible] the [illegible] awarded Grumman a contract to develop a fighter aircraft that could operate from all [illegible] carriers [illegible] in the [illegible] of duty. To meet the requirement, Grumman engineers [illegible] the F6F [illegible] Designated the F8F Bearcat by the [illegible] Grumman design [illegible] flew on [illegible] August [illegible] It was delivered [illegible] but was not ready for service before World War [illegible] ended. The F8F was the [illegible] single-engine fighter [illegible] Grumman [illegible] for the Navy. A total of [illegible] were produced.

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XF8F-1**
Experimental [illegible] of F8F

**XF8F-1N**
Experimental [illegible] of the F8F-1N night fighter

**XF8F-2**
Experimental [illegible] of the F8F

**F8F**
Specifications for the F8F-[illegible] are as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Crew | | one |
| Length | | [illegible] ft 8 in |
| Height | | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Span | | |
| | spread | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| | folded | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | | [illegible] sq ft |
| Weight | | |
| | empty | [illegible] lbs |
| | takeoff | 9,[illegible] lbs |
| Range | | [illegible] statute miles [illegible] |
| Engine | | one Pratt & Whitney [illegible] hp R-2800-[illegible]W |
| Armament | | |
| | bombs | [illegible] lbs |
| | guns | four .50-caliber forward-firing fixed in wings |

**F8F-1B**
The F8F-[illegible] with four 20 mm guns replacing the [illegible] fixed

**F8F-1N**
The F8F-[illegible] equipped for night fighting

**F8F-2**
F8F-[illegible] powered by [illegible] Pratt & Whitney R-2800-30W [illegible] the [illegible] mm gun installation

**F8F-2N**
F8F-[illegible] equipped for night fighting

**F8F-2P**
F8F-[illegible] equipped for photographic [illegible]

[illegible]

### Other Designations

**F8F-[illegible] and F8F-2D**
F8F-[illegible] and F8F-[illegible] equipped for use as a drone [illegible] plane

**F8M**
Planned designation for F8Fs built by [illegible] Motors. The [illegible] ordering these [illegible] at the end of World War II and the aircraft were never delivered.

### Bureau Numbers

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| F8F | [illegible] |
| XF8F | [illegible] |
| F8F | [illegible] |
| XF8F-2 | [illegible] |
| F8F | [illegible] |
| XF8F | [illegible] |
| F8F | [illegible] |
| F8F | [illegible] all cancelled |
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| F8F | [illegible] |
| F8F | [illegible] |
| F8F-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| F8F | [illegible] |

[illegible]

# F8U (F-8) Crusader

In 1952 the Chance Vought Company submitted a design in response to a Navy request for proposals to build a supersonic carrier-based fighter aircraft. The Navy awarded Vought the contract on [illegible] June [illegible]. The F8U first flew on [illegible] March [illegible]; the first delivery was in March 1957. By the time the last delivery was made in January [illegible], [illegible] had been accepted for the Navy, the Marine Corps and foreign military use. The Crusader was first delivered to squadron VF-[illegible] on [illegible] April [illegible] at NAF Washington, [illegible] single-seat, single-engine, carrier fighter, the F8U was distinctive for its two-position wing with variable incidence to take off and landing speed. The F8U was redesignated F-8 in 1962.

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XF8U**

Experimental version of the F8U.

**F8U-1 (F-8A)**

Single-place, swept-wing, carrier-based day fighter. Equipped with [illegible] and [illegible] missiles.

**F8U-1E (F-8B)**

F-8A equipped with AN/[illegible] radar.

**F8U-1P (RF-8A)**

Photographic version of F-8A.

**F8U-1T (TF-8A)**

Two-seat trainer.

**XF8U-2**

Experimental version of the F8U-2.

**F8U-2 (F-8C)**

Improved version of F-8B with improved engine and increased combat range. Characteristics of F8U-2 (F-8C) are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | One |
| Power Plant | Pratt & Whitney J57-P-[illegible] |
| Combat Range | [illegible] nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Empty | [illegible] lb. |
| Basic | [illegible] lb. |
| Design | [illegible] lb. |
| Maximum Combat | [illegible] lb. |
| Maximum Takeoff | [illegible] lb. (catapult) |
| Maximum Landing | [illegible] lb. (arrested) |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | [illegible] sq. ft. |
| Span | [illegible] |

[illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| Length | 54 ft 3 in |
| Height | 15 ft 9 in |
| Tread | 9 ft [illegible] in |
| [illegible] | [illegible] guns lower fuselage, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] fuselage [illegible] [illegible] fuselage |

**F8U-2N (F-8D)**

Similar to F-8C; limited all-weather aircraft with [illegible] radar, improved higher thrust engine and additional fuel capacity. Equipped to carry four Sidewinder missiles.

**F8U-2NE (F-8E)**

Similar to F-8D except equipped with [illegible] radar with larger antenna.

**F8U-3**

Enhanced version of F8U with all-weather capability.

### *Other Designations*

**F8U-1D (DF-8A)**

[illegible] single-[illegible] [illegible] Regulus II missile.

**F8U-1KD (QF-8A)**

[illegible] as a Regulus [illegible] missile target drone and [illegible] aircraft.

**DF-8F**

[illegible]

**RF-8G**

RF-8A modernized [illegible] capabilities.

**F-8H**

F-8D modified to include external wing store capability, [illegible] strength fuselage [illegible] and other improvements.

**F-8J**

F-8E with increased fuselage and wing [illegible] other improvements.

**F-8K**

Similar to F-8C but with structural changes to wing and landing gear.

**F-8L**

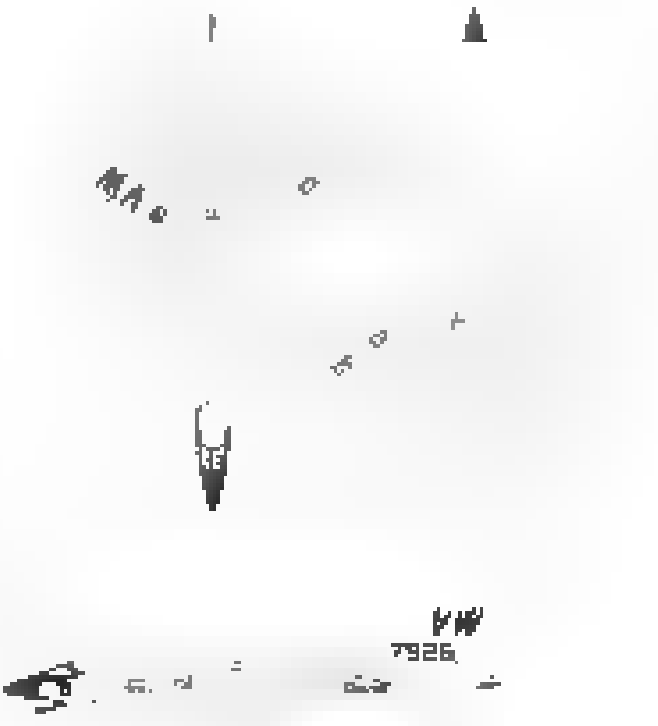
Similar to F-8B but with structural changes to wing and landing gear.

**F-8M**

Similar to F-8A but with structural changes to wing and landing gear.

### *Bureau Numbers*

| | |
|---|---|
| XF8U | [illegible] |
| F8U (F-8A) | [illegible] |
| F8U-1E (F-8B) | [illegible] |
| F8U-1P (RF-8A) | [illegible] |
| F8U-1T (TF-8A) | [illegible] |
| XF8U | [illegible] |
| F8U-2 (F-8C) | [illegible] |
| F8U-2N (F-8D) | [illegible] |
| F8U-2NE (F-8E) | [illegible] |
| F8U-3 | [illegible] |



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# F9F (F-9) Panther and Cougar

The McDonnell [illegible] Company of St. Louis built the Navy's first all-jet aircraft and demonstrated that the jet engine was adaptable to carrier operations. But it was Grumman's F9F Panther that became the first carrier jet fighter to shoot down another jet airplane.

Grumman's departure from propeller-driven fighters was not [illegible] by abandoning the tradition of naming its [illegible] fighters [illegible] cats. However the feline connection [illegible] with the Panther and Cougar and eventually returned to a normal path with the F-14 Tomcat.

[illegible] Panther [illegible] to produce a jet-powered straight-wing carrier-based fighter. The aircraft Grumman proposed [illegible] December [illegible] was eventually designated and named the F9F-2 Panther. It was first delivered to an operational squadron in May 1949 and remained in service until [illegible] 1958. The Navy accepted a total of [illegible] Panthers with designations of F9F-2, F9F-3, F9F-4 and F9F-5.

The Panther [illegible] to design a swept-wing [illegible] proposed it to the Navy. The new design retained the fuselage of the Panther but included a swept wing [illegible]. The Navy awarded a contract for the new model in March [illegible] first flight on 20 September and was named the Cougar but retained the F9F designation. The Cougar was first delivered to the fleet in [illegible] 1952 and remained in squadrons until February [illegible]. The Navy accepted a total of 1,985 Cougars with the designations F9F-6, F9F-7 and F9F-8.

### *Models Accepted from the Manufacturers (New Builds)*

### Panther

**XF9F-2**

Experimental version of the F9F-2. Straight wing. Powered by Rolls Royce Nene engine.

**F9F-2**

Powered by Pratt & Whitney [illegible]-P-8 engine.

**XF9F-3**

Experimental version of the F9F-3. Powered by Allison [illegible]-A-8 engine.

**F9F-3**

Powered by Allison [illegible]-A-8 engine. These aircraft were converted to the F9F-2 configuration and powered by the J42 engine.

**XF9F-4**

Experimental version of the F9F-4. Powered by the Allison [illegible]-A-16 engine.

**F9F-4**

Powered by the Allison [illegible]-A-16 engine.

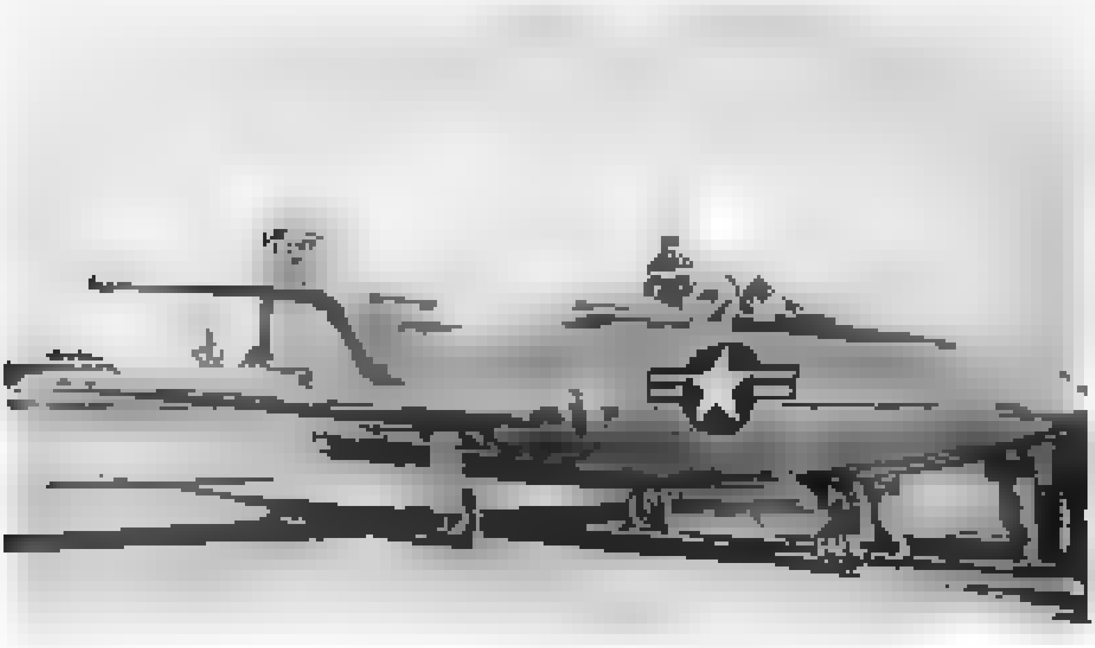
**XF9F-5**

Experimental version of the F9F-5. Powered by the Pratt & Whitney [illegible]-P-6 engine.

**F9F-5**

Specifications for the F9F-5 are as follows:

| Item | Data |
|---|---|
| Length | [illegible] ft |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Span | |
| Spread | [illegible] ft |
| Folded | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq. ft |



[illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| Weight: | |
| empty | [illegible] lbs |
| gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Engine | Pratt and Whitney J48-P-[illegible] |
| Performance | |
| combat radius | [illegible] nautical mile |
| cruising speed | [illegible] nautical mph |
| Armament | |
| bomb | [illegible] lbs total capacity |
| guns | four 20 mm guns in fuselage |

**F9F-5P**

F9F-5 equipped for photo reconnaissance.

## Cougar

**XF9F-6**

Experimental [illegible] swept wing and swept tail. Powered by Pratt & Whitney J48-P-[illegible].

**F9F-6 (Redesignated F-9F)**

Powered by Pratt & Whitney J48-P-[illegible].

**F9F-6P**

F9F-6 equipped for photo reconnaissance.

**F9F-7 (Redesignated F-9H)**

Similar to F9F-6 but powered by Allison J33-A-16A engine.

**F9F-8 (Redesignated F-9J)**

The most [illegible] of the Cougar [illegible]. It had additional fuel storage and a slender fuselage. Specifications for the F9F-8 (F-9J) are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | one |
| Length | [illegible] |
| Height | [illegible] |
| Span | |
| spread | [illegible] |
| folded | [illegible] |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Weight: | |
| empty | [illegible] lbs |
| gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Engine | Pratt & Whitney J48-P-[illegible] |
| Performance | |

[illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| Combat range | [illegible] nautical miles |
| Cruising speed | about [illegible] mph |
| Ordnance: | |
| bombs | [illegible] lbs. total capacity |
| guns | four 20 mm guns in fuselage |

**F9F-8P (Redesignated RF-9J)**

F9F-8 equipped for photo reconnaissance.

**YF9F-8T (Redesignated YTF-9J)**

Prototype of a trainer configuration of the F9F-8.

**F9F-8T (Redesignated TF-9J)**

Two-seat trainer version of the F9F-8.

### Other Designations

**F9F-2KD**

F9F-2 modified and equipped as [illegible] target drone and [illegible] used as [illegible] in the Regulus missile [illegible] program.

**F9F-5P**

F9F-5 equipped for photo reconnaissance.

**F9F-5KD (Redesignated DF-9E)**

F9F-5 modified for use as a target drone or [illegible] control plane.

**F9F-6D (Redesignated DF-9F)**

F9F-6 modified and equipped to control either the F9F target drone or the [illegible] targets.

**F9F-6K (Redesignated QF-9F)**

F9F-6 modified as a target drone.

**F9F-6K2 (Redesignated QF-9G)**

F9F-6 modified as a Research, Development, Test and Evaluation target aircraft.

**YF9F-8B (Redesignated YAF-9J)**

Prototype of F9F-8B.

**F9F-8B (Redesignated AF-9J)**

F9F-8 equipped to perform attack missions. It had increased wing area, flaps and a [illegible] span. It was a [illegible] bombing [illegible]. Specifications for the F9F-8B are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | one |
| Length | [illegible] ft. [illegible] in. |
| Height | [illegible] ft. [illegible] in. |
| Span | |
| spread | [illegible] ft. [illegible] in. |
| folded | [illegible] ft. [illegible] in. |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq. ft. |
| Weight: | |
| empty | [illegible] lbs. |
| gross | [illegible] lbs. |
| Engine | Pratt & Whitney J48-P-8A |
| Performance: | |
| Combat radius | 325 nautical miles |
| Cruising speed | 418 nautical mph |
| Maximum Weight | |
| catapult launch | 24,[illegible] lbs. |
| Ordnance: | |
| bombs | [illegible] wing stations for [illegible] bombs or [illegible] missiles |
| guns | four 20 mm guns in fuselage |

**F9F-9**

Planned designation for an F9F-8 powered by a Wright J65-W-6 engine. This aircraft was never delivered to the Navy.

### Bureau Numbers

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| XF9F-2 | [illegible] | |
| XF9F-3 | [illegible] | |
| XF9F-2 | [illegible] | |
| F9F-2 | [illegible] | |
| F9F-2 | [illegible] | |
| XF9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| XF9F-5 | 123085 | |
| F9F-3 | 1230[illegible]-123087 | (123087 canceled) |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| XF9F-6 | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
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| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| F9F-[illegible] | [illegible] | |

[illegible]

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# F/A-18 Hornet

In [illegible] June 197[illegible] the Navy released to the aerospace industry a [illegible] notice for the development of a new fighter and attack aircraft. Six manufacturers [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Specifications [illegible] the specialized requirement for a strike fighter aircraft. The intent was to produce a fighter that would supplement the F-14 Tomcat and eventually replace the F-4 Phantom II and the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the draft of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] directed that the aircraft was to be a derivative of the YF-16 or YF-17 then under evaluation by the Air Force.

In [illegible] the 1975 the Navy announced the selection of the McDonnell Douglas F-18 aircraft design. The General Electric Corporation was selected to [illegible] the [illegible] engines. McDonnell Douglas was selected as the prime contractor. The Northrop Corporation was selected to build the after [illegible] portion of the aircraft.

By the end of the 1980s the F/A-18 Hornet had proved to be a truly multi-mission tactical aircraft. It brought to the fleet a night attack capability and a potent fighter [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the F [illegible] series [illegible] in battle.

| | |
|---|---|
| First flight | 18 [illegible] 197[illegible] |
| First delivered for operation | [illegible] |
| Number delivered as of [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] |

## *Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)*

**F/A-18A**

The original [illegible] single-seat [illegible] capable of [illegible] bombs and air-to-air guided missiles.

**F/A-18B**

Trainer version of the F/A-18A with combat capability. The designation replaced TF/A-18A.

**F/A-18C**

Single seat with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] than [illegible] [illegible] The F/A-18C differs from F/A-18A mainly [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the AMRAAM [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and the Airborne Self-Protection Jammer (ASPJ). There [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and night attack capability. Specifications for the F/A-18C are as follows:

Dimensions
- Wing span [illegible] ft [illegible] in
- Length [illegible] ft
- Height [illegible] ft [illegible] in

Weight
- Empty [illegible] lbs
- Maximum fuel weight
  - internal and external [illegible] lbs

[illegible] F/A-18 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

- Take-off Weight for
  - fighter mission [illegible] lbs
- Take-off Weight for
  - attack mission [illegible] lbs
- Armament
  - nine external stations for missiles and bombs
  - M61 20mm six-barrel gun in nose
- Engines
  - two General Electric F404-GE-400

**F/A-18D**

Two-seat version of the F/A-18C with [illegible] [illegible] capability.

**TF/A-18A**

Trainer version with combat capability. The designation was changed to F/A-18B.

## *Modifications to Existing Airframes*

**F/A-18D (RC)**

[illegible] reconnaissance version.

### Other Designations

**CF-18**

Version for Canada.

**EF-18A and EF-18B**

Version for Spain.

**AF-18A and ATF-18A**

Version for Australia.

## *Bureau Numbers*

| | |
|---|---|
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |
| F/A-18A | [illegible] |

[illegible]

| | |
|---|---|
| F/A-18C | [illegible] |
| F/A-18C | [illegible] |
| F/A-18C | [illegible] |
| F/A-18C | [illegible] |
| F/A-18C | [illegible] |
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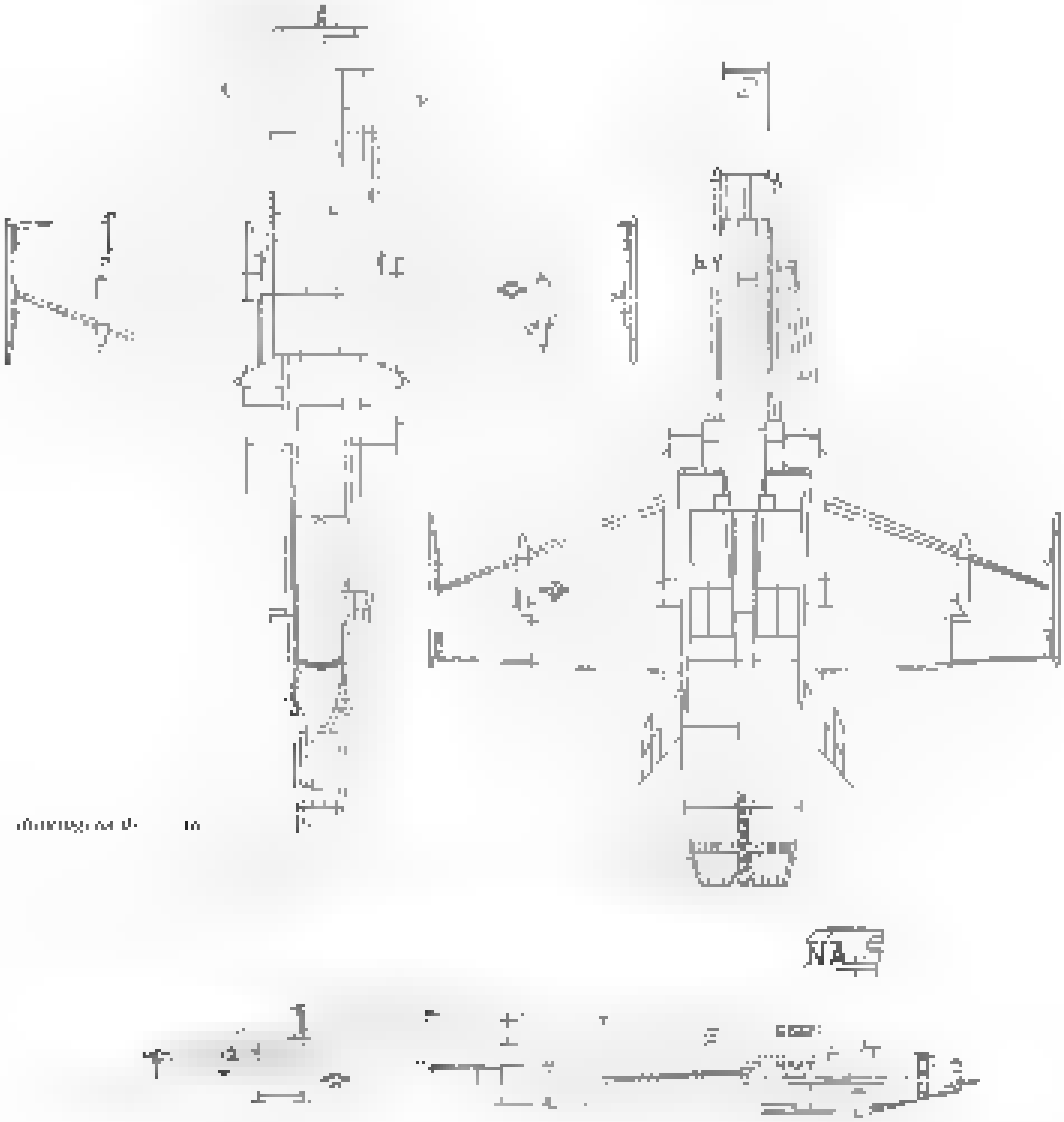

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# FH (FD) Phantom

[illegible] 194[illegible] the [illegible] decision to [illegible] all jet-powered carrier-based [illegible] contract award to the McDonnell Aircraft Company, St. Louis [illegible] McDonnell [illegible] designated [illegible] the Navy [illegible] Following the procedure [illegible] the Navy [illegible] McDonnell [illegible] designation [illegible] letters were [illegible] use [illegible] Navy [illegible] McDonnell the letter [illegible] Phantom [illegible] first designated [illegible]

The aircraft [illegible] January 19[illegible] made the first [illegible] July 19[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] squadron to [illegible] Phantom [illegible] 19[illegible]. A total of [illegible] were accepted.

### *Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)*

XFD-1

Experimental version of the FD-1. The designation was later changed to XFH-1.

FD-1

Production version of the FD-1. Basically the same as the XFD-1 [illegible] vertical tail [illegible] designation was later changed to FH-1.

| | |
|---|---|
| Characteristics of XFD | |
| Crew | One |
| Power Plant | Two [illegible] Westinghouse J30 engines |
| Combat Range | [illegible] statute miles |
| Weight | |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing Span | [illegible] ft |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Armament | None on experimental aircraft |
| | Four fixed .50 cal. guns in FD |

### *Bureau Numbers*

| | |
|---|---|
| XFD | [illegible] |
| FD | [illegible] |

# FJ-3/4 (F-1) Fury

[illegible] North American's straight-wing Navy FJ-[illegible] the [illegible] swept-wing F-86 [illegible] it seemed [illegible] developed for the [illegible] another swept-wing carrier-based fighter. It would be designated FJ-2 [illegible] would first fly [illegible]. The FJ-2s were powered by a single [illegible] engine with [illegible] pounds thrust; all were assigned to the Marine Corps. The [illegible] carrier-based variant was designated FJ-3 and was powered by a single Wright J65-W-4 engine with 7,800 pounds thrust. It first flew in 195[illegible]. The FJ-[illegible] had a redesigned fuselage and wings with greater fuel capacity [illegible] the same engine as the FJ-3. The FJ-4 was used primarily by the Marine Corps. In 1962, the FJ-[illegible] and FJ-[illegible] were redesignated F-[illegible] and F-1E respectively. The last Fury was delivered in [illegible] 195[illegible]. The Fury was last reported in operation on 30 September 1962.

An FJ-3 Fury [illegible] 195[illegible].

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**FJ-3 (F-1C)**

Single-engine, swept-wing, single-seat, [illegible] fighter. Characteristics of FJ-3 (F-1C) are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | [illegible] |
| Power Plant | 7,800 pound Wright J65-W-4A |
| Combat Range | 990 nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Design | [illegible] lbs |
| Combat | [illegible] lbs |
| Maximum Takeoff | [illegible] lbs (catapult) |
| Maximum Landing | [illegible] lbs (arrested) |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | 288 sq ft |
| Span | 3[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | 3[illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Tread | [illegible] ft |
| Armament on FJ-3 [illegible] Bureau Number [illegible] | Four 20 mm guns in forward fuselage with [illegible] rounds.<br>Wing stations to carry 5-inch rockets, 250, 500 and 1,000 lb bombs, 500 lb fragmentation bombs, or AIM-9 missiles. |

**FJ-3M (MF-1C)**

FJ-3 equipped to carry AIM-9 Sidewinder missile.

**XFJ-4**

Experimental version of FJ-4.

**FJ-4 (F-1E)**

Production improvement of the FJ-3.

**FJ-4B (AF-1E)**

FJ-4 with provisions for attack missions.

### Other Designations

**FJ-3D (DF-1C)**

FJ-3 modified for control of Regulus missile.

**FJ-3D2 (DF-1D)**

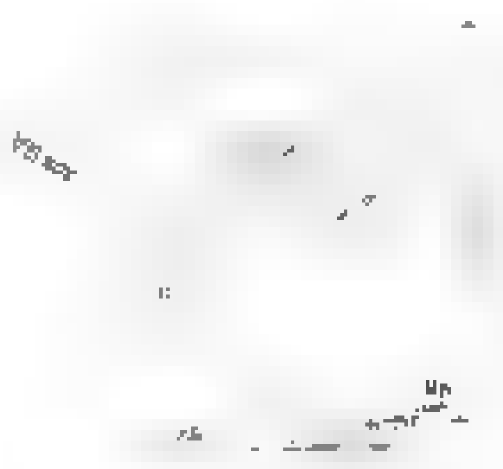
FJ-3 capable of controlling the F9F-6K and KDA.

**FJ-4F**

FJ-4 with provision for rocket boost.

### Bureau Numbers

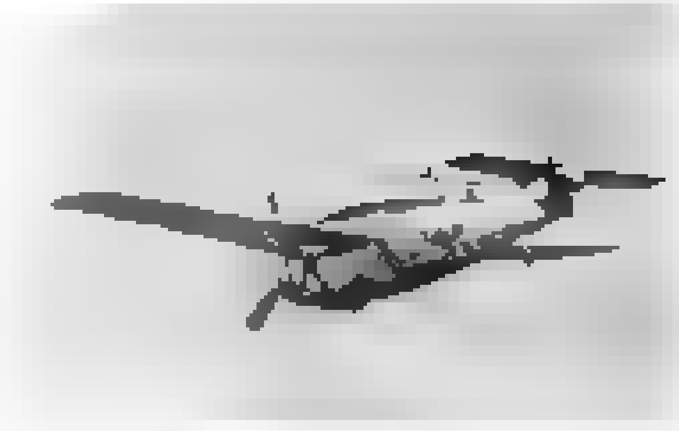
| | |
|---|---|
| FJ-3 (F-1C) | 135774–136162, 139210–139278, 1413[illegible]–[illegible] (canceled) |
| FJ-3M (MF-1C) | [illegible] |
| XFJ-4 | [illegible], [illegible] |
| FJ-4 (F-1E) | [illegible] |
| FJ-4B (AF-1E) | [illegible] (canceled) |



An FJ-4B [illegible].

# FM Wildcat

Built by the Eastern Aircraft Division of General Motors [illegible], the FM-1 Wildcat design [illegible] first flew in August [illegible]. Eastern was made a new production source for the aircraft to [illegible] Grumman to [illegible] Wildcat [illegible] the F6F [illegible]. In all, Eastern delivered [illegible] FMs to the Navy, including those for use by the Allies. An FM was last reported in squadron use in [illegible].



[illegible]

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**FM-1**

[illegible] the FM-1 had a gross weight [illegible] pounds greater than that of the [illegible]. Characteristics of the FM-1 are as follow:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | [illegible] |
| Power Plant | Pratt & Whitney [illegible] rated [illegible] hp |
| Combat Radius | [illegible] nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing | |
| Area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Span | [illegible] ft |
| Length | [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] |
| Ordnance | [illegible] forward-firing [illegible] guns with [illegible] rounds |

**FM-2**

Based on a Grumman prototype designated [illegible], the FM-2 was powered by one Wright [illegible] engine of [illegible] hp, [illegible] than the FM-1.

### Other Designations

**[illegible]**

[illegible] production engineering of the FM-2.

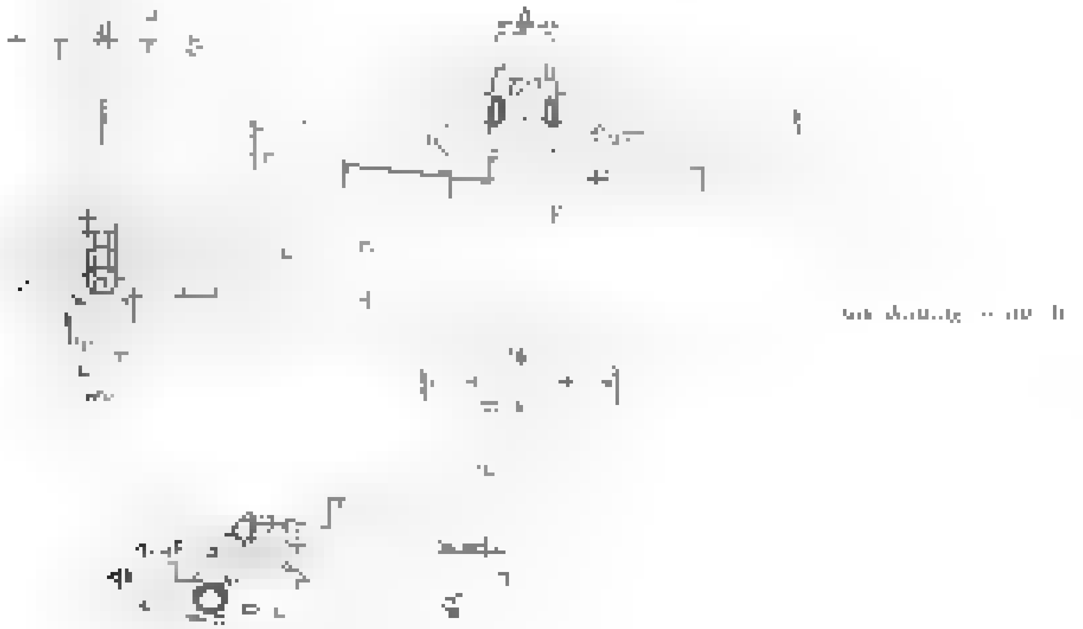
**FM-2P**

FM-2 equipped for reconnaissance.

### Bureau Numbers

FM-1 [illegible]

FM-2 [illegible]



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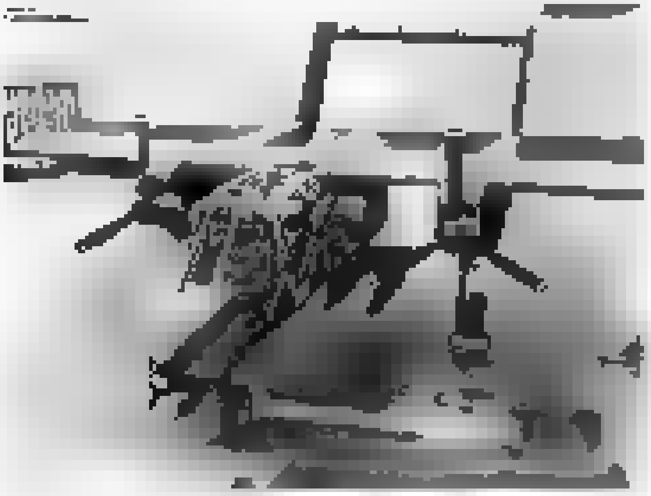
# OV-10 Bronco

[illegible] 196[illegible] the [illegible] North [illegible] the design [illegible] the [illegible] aircraft [illegible] for the [illegible] the [illegible] developed [illegible] the United States Air Force [illegible] the [illegible] Corps in [illegible] 19[illegible]. A total of [illegible] Broncos were [illegible] for [illegible] and for foreign military sale.

### Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

YOV-10A

[illegible] of the Bronco.



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OV-10A

Production version of the Bronco. [illegible] the [illegible] Marine Corps. [illegible] of the OV-10A [illegible] as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | Two |
| Power Plant | Two [illegible]-shp [illegible] Research turboprops |
| Combat Range | [illegible] nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Maximum Takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing Span | [illegible] feet |
| Wing Area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Length | [illegible] feet |
| Height | [illegible] feet |
| Armament | Four [illegible] machine guns [illegible] Sidewinders, rockets, bombs, [illegible] |

### Other Designations

OV-10D

[illegible] result of [illegible] program [illegible] the [illegible] Marine Corps [illegible] the Service Life Extension Program [illegible] a wide range of [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] its [illegible]. Some structural changes were made and some equipment was added. The aircraft was night [illegible] capable.

### Bureau Numbers

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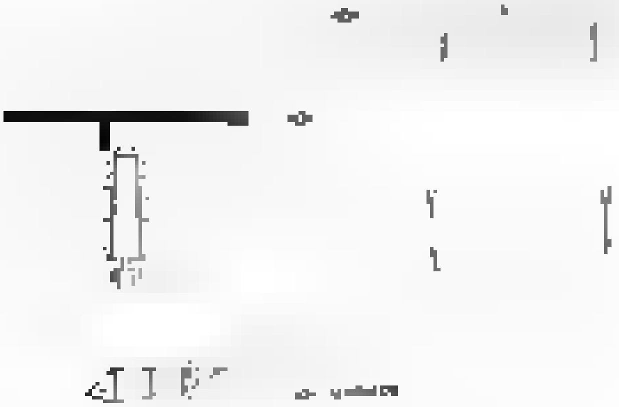

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# PB4Y Liberator

(and Its Other Associated Designations)

[illegible] the Royal Air Force (RAF) was using [illegible] Army Air Forces B-24 Liberator on long-range patrol against German submarines and surface vessels. The RAF success in this deployment was influential in making the [illegible] to acquire quantities of the type. The B-24 entered service with the Navy as the PB4Y-1 [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] Navy service until [illegible] reported [illegible] at the time of the redesignation in 1962 [illegible] of the aircraft remaining in Navy use was the drone P4Y-2K, which was redesignated QP-4B. A total of [illegible] were produced.

[illegible] that [illegible] the PB4Y-1 and PB4Y-2 were both Liberators, although it was [illegible] the [illegible] Liberator [illegible] Privateer. The P4Y-2 [illegible] were PB4Y-2s redesignated [illegible] called Privateer. The [illegible] Privateer under the designation P4Y-2 [illegible] the [illegible] designated RY-1, RY-2 and RY-3—all of which were called Liberator Express.

## Model Designations Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**PB4Y-1**

Land-based bomber used mainly for ASW patrol. Powered by four Pratt & Whitney R-1830-43.

[illegible] PB4Y-2 [illegible]

**PB4Y-2**

Single tail, much longer fuselage than the -1, additional armament and powered by four Pratt & Whitney R-1830-94. Redesignated P4Y-2. Characteristics of the PB4Y-2 are as follows:

| Item | |
|---|---|
| Power Plant | Four Pratt & Whitney R-1830-94 |
| Combat Range | 2,800 statute miles |
| Weight | |
| Maximum Takeoff | 6[illegible],000 lbs. |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs. |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing Span | [illegible] ft. |
| Wing Area | [illegible] sq. ft. |
| Length | [illegible] ft. [illegible] in. |
| Height | 29 ft. [illegible] in. |
| Armament | Twelve .50 cal. guns [illegible] the [illegible] in the [illegible] in the [illegible] in the [illegible] in the [illegible] 8,000 pounds. Provisions for [illegible] pound [illegible] pound [illegible] 500 pound bombs [illegible] pound depth charges [illegible] 2,000 pound [illegible] 1,000 pound mines. |

**PB4Y-2B**

PB4Y-2 modified to carry the ASM-N-2 Bat glide bomb. Redesignated P4Y-2B.

**PB4Y-2M**

Meteorological version of the PB4Y-2 used for weather reconnaissance.

**PB4Y-2S**

Antisubmarine version of the PB4Y-2. Redesignated P4Y-2S.

## Other Designations

**PB4Y-1P**

PB4Y-1 equipped for photo reconnaissance. Redesignated P4Y-1P.

**PB4Y-1Z**

PB4Y-1 converted for administrative purposes.

**XPB4Y-2**

Experimental version of the PB4Y-2.

**PB4Y-2G**

PB4Y-2 [illegible] in lieu of the [illegible] to the [illegible]

**P4Y-2K**

P4Y-2 [illegible] the [illegible]

**P4Y-2Q**

Improved version of the P4Y-2K.

**[illegible]**

Equipped as a target drone

***Bureau Numbers***

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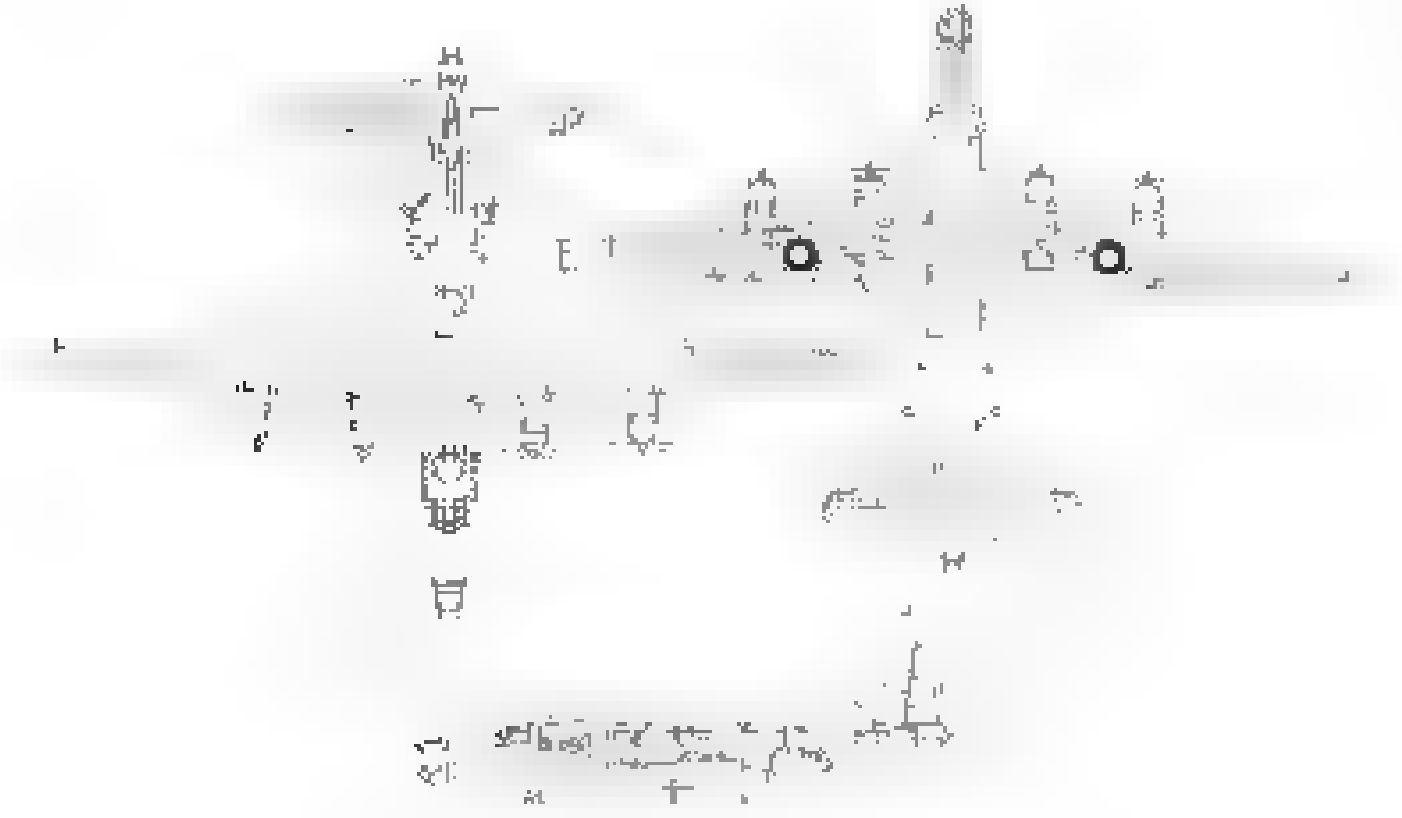

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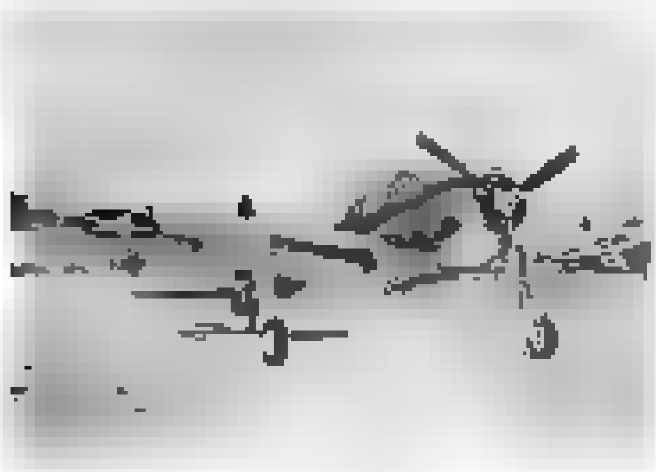
# SB2A Buccaneer

In [illegible] the Brewster Aeronautical [illegible] Corporation designed the SB2A [illegible] for the Navy [illegible] April 1939 the Navy awarded Brewster a contract [illegible] Scout Bomber [illegible] the SB2A Buccaneer. The [illegible] accepted a total of [illegible] SB2As [illegible] were [illegible] The Navy eventually used some of these aircraft for training, but none of the [illegible] SB2As ever saw combat [illegible] has [illegible] been found.



SB2A [illegible]

First ordered April [illegible]
First flight June [illegible]
First reported in squadron January [illegible]

Last delivered February [illegible]
Last reported in squadron [illegible]
Number accepted [illegible]

**SB2A**

Specifications for the SB2A [illegible] are as follows:

Weight:
  Empty [illegible] lbs
  Gross [illegible] lbs
Armament:
  two .50 cal. wing guns
  two .50 cal. nose (propeller [illegible]) guns
  two .30 cal. flexible guns
  [illegible] 500 pound bomb
Wing area [illegible] sq ft
Wing span [illegible] ft
Height [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Length [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Max range [illegible] statute miles
Power plant one [illegible] hp Wright R-[illegible]

### Bureau Numbers

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|---|---|
| SB2A- | [illegible] |
| SB2A- | [illegible] |
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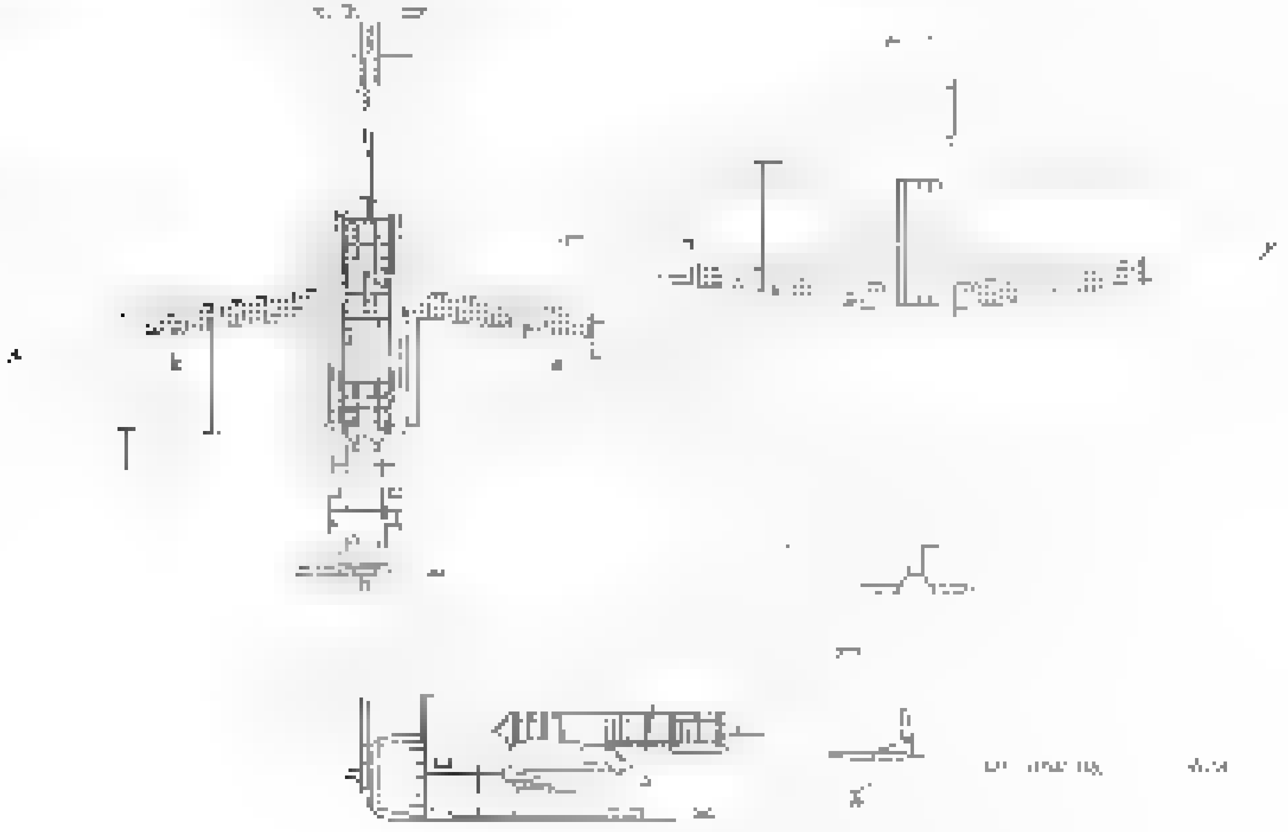
| SB2A- | [illegible] |



## SB2C/SBW/SBF Helldiver

[illegible] awarded [illegible] aircraft in November [illegible] production delays kept the [illegible] first SB2C Helldiver [illegible]. Powered by the Wright R-2600 [illegible] engine, the SB2C [illegible] was ordered by the Navy in 1939 as a replacement for the SBD Dauntless. It was [illegible] monoplane [illegible] [illegible] three manufacturers. By the time the Navy accepted the last Helldiver in October [illegible] production had reached [illegible]. The Helldiver models differ[illegible] All models [illegible] both fixed wing guns and flexible guns ranging from .30 to .50 caliber and 20 mm. Bomb capability was [illegible] two external wing racks and [illegible] bomb bay equipped with displacement gear [illegible] to release a large bomb. [illegible] models [illegible] 5-inch rockets.

| | |
|---|---|
| First ordered | [illegible] 1939 |
| First flight | 18 Dec 1940 |
| First delivered to squadron | Dec 19[illegible] |
| Last delivered | [illegible] 1945 |
| Number accepted | [illegible] |
| Last reported in squadron | Jun [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Model Designations Accepted from Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XSB2C-1, XSB2C-5, XSB2C-6**

Experimental models.

**SB2C-1**

The first production model of the Helldiver. The aircraft [illegible] four .30-caliber fixed guns in the wings and two .30-caliber guns in flexible mount. The SB2C-1 was tested for its torpedo [illegible] capability but [illegible] [illegible]. Was powered by the R-2600-8 engine.

**SB2C-1A**

A designation used only for the procurement of SB2Cs for the [illegible] Army, which designated them A-25 with the intention of using them for [illegible] bombers. There were some structural [illegible] from the [illegible] SB2C-1. The Army never used the [illegible] A-25 in combat and neither did [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] eventually used the SB2C-1A for training.

**SB2C-1C**

Armed with two 20 mm fixed guns in the wings and two .30-caliber guns in a flexible mount. It was powered by the R-2600-8 engine.

**SB2C-3**

Armed with two 20 mm fixed guns in the wings and twin .30-caliber guns in a flexible mount. It was powered by the R-2600-20 engine.

**SB2C-4**

SB2C-3 with perforated flaps.

**SB2C-4E**

SB2C-4 with special radar.

**SB2C-5**

Same as SB2C-4 but with improved pilot's [illegible] [illegible] 35 gallon wing tanks [illegible] and a [illegible] plastic [illegible] [illegible]. Specifications for the SB2C-5 are as follows:

Weight:
- Empty: 10,58[illegible] lbs
- Combat: [illegible] lbs

Armament:
- Two 20 mm wing guns
- Two .30-cal guns on aft flexible mount
- Eight 5-inch HVAR rockets
- External bomb bay that could accommodate up to [illegible] lbs and two external wing racks that could handle up to [illegible] lbs each

Wing area: [illegible] sq ft

Wing span: [illegible]

Height [illegible]
Length [illegible]
Powerplant Wright R-2600-20 [illegible]

**SBW**
SB2C built by Canadian Car and Foundry [illegible]

**SBW-1B**
Built for the United Kingdom

**SBW-3**
Similar to SB2C

**SBW-4**
Same as SB2C

**SBW-4E**
Equipped with radar

**SBW-5**
Same as SB2C

**SBF**
SB2C built by Fairchild of Canada

**SBF-**
Same as SB2C

**SBF-4E**
Same as SB2C-4E

### Other Designations

**SB2C-1E, SB2C-4E and SB2C-5E**
Equipped with radar

**SB2C-1P**
Equipped for photographic reconnaissance

**SB2C-5D**
Equipped for use as a target drone

### Bureau Numbers

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| XSB2C | [illegible] |
| SB2C | [illegible] |
| SB2C-1A | [illegible] |
| SB2C-1C | [illegible] |
| XSB2C | [illegible] |
| SB2C | [illegible] |
| SB2C-4E | [illegible] |
| SB2C | [illegible] |
| XSB2C | [illegible] |
| SB2C | [illegible] |
| XSB2C | [illegible] |
| SBF | [illegible] |
| SBF | [illegible] |
| SBF-4E | [illegible] |
| SBW | [illegible] |
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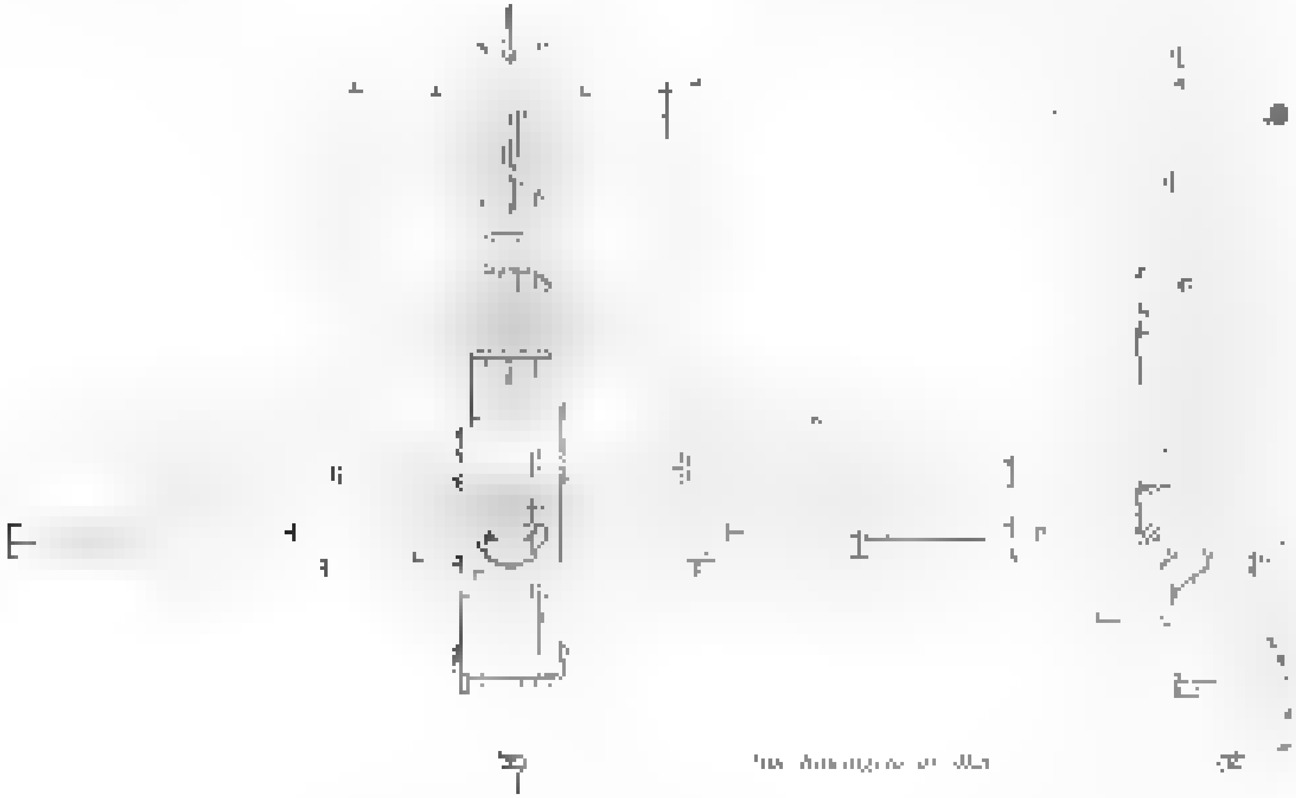

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# SB2U Vindicator

[illegible] the SB2U Vindicator was developed [illegible] with [illegible] new [illegible] of the SB2U [illegible] the aircraft [illegible] reliable and [illegible] its intended mission.

First [illegible] — October 193[illegible]
First flight — January 1936
First delivered to squadron — December 1937 [illegible]
Last delivered — July 19[illegible]
Last operational in squadron — [illegible] February 19[illegible]
Number accepted — [illegible]

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

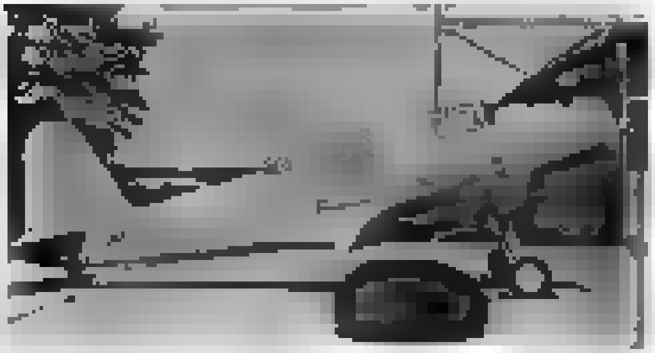
**XSB2U**
Experimental [illegible]

**XSB2U-3**
Experimental [illegible]

**SB2U-1**
Powered by the Pratt & Whitney [illegible] hp R-1535-96 engine [illegible] gun [illegible]

**SB2U-2**
Same as SB2U-1 but with a higher gross weight.

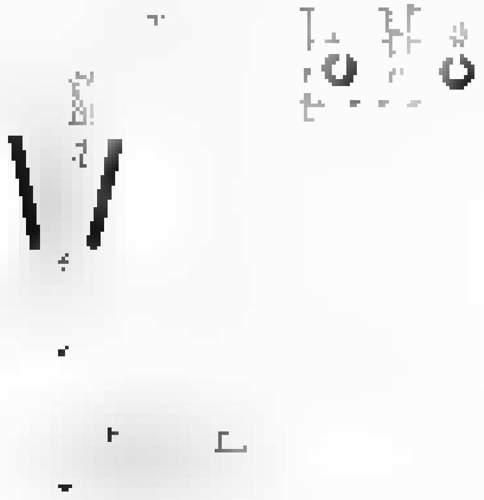
**SB2U-3**
Built for the Marine Corps [illegible] the SB2U [illegible] It has [illegible] gun mounted in the [illegible] Pratt & Whitney R-1535 engine. Specifications for the SB2U-[illegible] are as follows:


An SB2U [illegible]

Weight:
  Empty — [illegible] lbs
  Gross — [illegible] lbs
Armament:
  [illegible] .50 cal. [illegible] gun
  [illegible] .30 cal. flexible gun
  [illegible] 500 [illegible] bomb
Wing area — 305 sq ft
Wing span — [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Height — [illegible] ft [illegible] in
Length — [illegible] ft
Power plant — Pratt & Whitney [illegible] hp R-1535
Max range — [illegible] statute miles

### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| XSB2U | [illegible] |
| SB2U-1 | [illegible] |
| XSB2U-3 | [illegible] |
| SB2U-2 | [illegible] |
| SB2U-3 | [illegible] |


[illegible] SB2U

# SBC

A Bureau of Aeronautics [illegible] dated [illegible] June [illegible] the [illegible] fighter aircraft designated [illegible]. But before the aircraft was assigned to any fleet squadron [illegible] designation [illegible] SBC [illegible] biplane [illegible]

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|---|---|
| First ordered | [illegible] June [illegible] |
| First flight | [illegible] June [illegible] |
| First delivered to squadron | [illegible] July [illegible] to |
| Last delivered | [illegible] |
| Last reported in squadron | [illegible] June [illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| Number accepted | [illegible] |

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XSBC-[illegible]**
Experimental vehicle

**XSBC-[illegible]**
Experimental vehicle

**SBC-[illegible]**
[illegible] two-seat [illegible] powered by Pratt & Whitney [illegible]

**SBC-[illegible]**
[illegible] two-seat [illegible] powered by Pratt & Whitney [illegible]

Specifications for the SBC-[illegible] are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Weight | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| [illegible] | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing span | [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] in |
| Armament | |
| Guns | one fixed [illegible]<br>[illegible] flexible<br>[illegible] |
| Maximum bomb capacity | [illegible] lbs |

[illegible]

### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| XSBC | [illegible] |
| SBC | [illegible] modified to XSBC |
| SBC-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| SBC-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| SBC-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| SBC-[illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

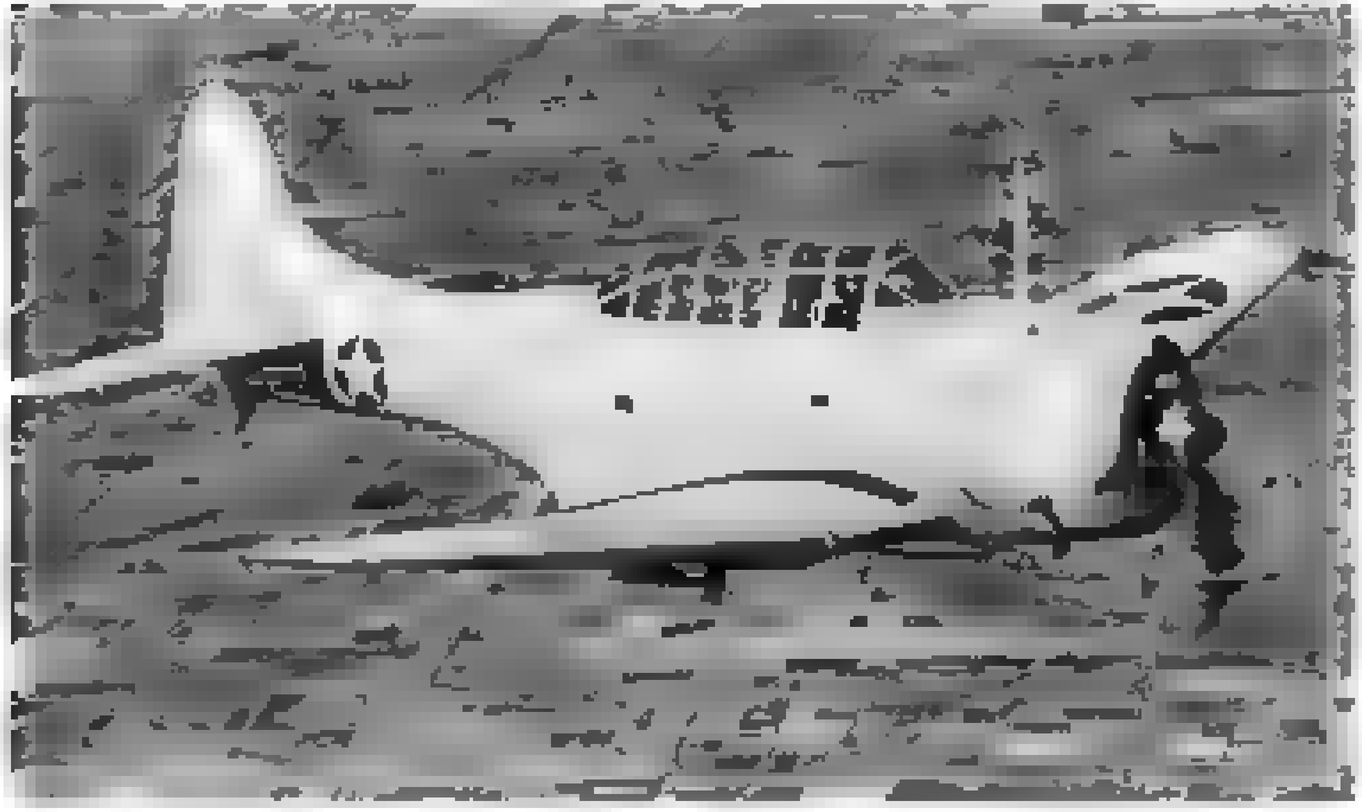
## SBD Dauntless

Begun by the Northrop Company as the BT-1 and later redesignated BT-2, the aircraft manufacturer was incorporated into the Douglas Company before the plane was ready for delivery to the Navy. It is the reason it arrived at squadrons with the Douglas [illegible] designation. One of the [illegible] and [illegible] of the Dauntless was an indispensable part of the Navy's striking power throughout the Second World War.

Douglas built the aircraft under the designation SBD. The Navy accepted [illegible] SBDs, of which [illegible] were built through [illegible] [illegible] BDs [illegible] The SBD-5 was the most numerous of all the models.

In all the models accepted from the manufacturer, the differences were in such areas as range, electrical systems and engines. For example, the SBD-[illegible] had a maximum [illegible] range of about [illegible] miles and the SBD-[illegible] was around [illegible]. All models were powered by the Wright R-1820. The SBD-[illegible] and the SBD-[illegible] used the R-1820-[illegible], the SBD-[illegible] and the SBD-[illegible] used the R-1820-[illegible], and the SBD-[illegible] used the R-1820-60. The wing span of [illegible] feet [illegible] inches was the same in all models, but the length increased from [illegible] feet [illegible] inches in SBD-[illegible] to [illegible] feet in the SBD-5.

| | |
|---|---|
| First accepted | [illegible] |
| First flight | [illegible] |
| First delivered to squadron | [illegible] |
| Last delivered | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| Last operated by squadron | [illegible] |
| Number accepted | [illegible] |



An SBD Dauntless in flight, [illegible]

### *Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SBD-1 | SBD-[illegible] | SBD-[illegible] |
| SBD-1P | SBD-[illegible] | SBD-[illegible] |
| SBD-[illegible] | SBD-[illegible] | SBD-[illegible] |
| [illegible] | SBD-[illegible] | [illegible] |

SBD-5

Specifications for the SBD-5 are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Weight | |
| Gross | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Power Plant | Wright R-1820-60 |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Wing span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Ordnance | |
| Guns | two fixed .50 cal for pilot<br>two flex .30 cal for gunner |
| Maximum bomb capacity | [illegible] lbs |

## Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| SBD | [illegible] |
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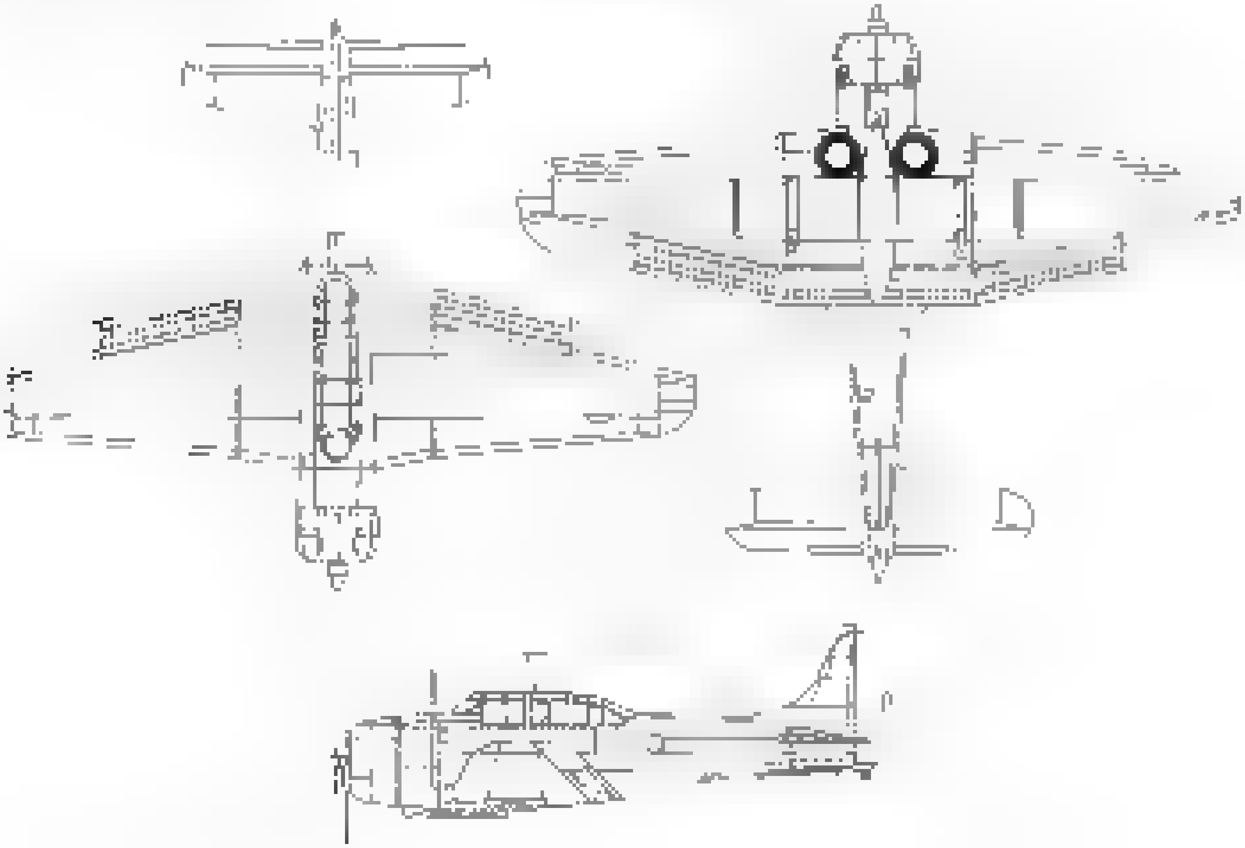

The Dauntless [illegible] SBD

## T3J (T-39) Sabreliner

In [illegible] the Navy [illegible] ordered ten of North American's Model NA-[illegible] for training [illegible] operations. At that time the aircraft was designated T3J-1, but by the time the first one was delivered in [illegible] the designation had been changed to T-39D. A total of [illegible] aircraft were accepted. General characteristics of the T-39D are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | Pilot and co-pilot or the instructor and student. Provisions in aft cabin for an instructor, two radar students and a navigator station. |
| Power Plant | Two Pratt & Whitney [illegible] J60-P-[illegible] turbojets |
| Mission Range | [illegible] nautical miles |
| Weight | |
| Maximum Takeoff | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Dimensions | |
| Wing Span | [illegible] ft |
| Wing Area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Length | [illegible] ft |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Armament | None |

**Bureau Numbers**

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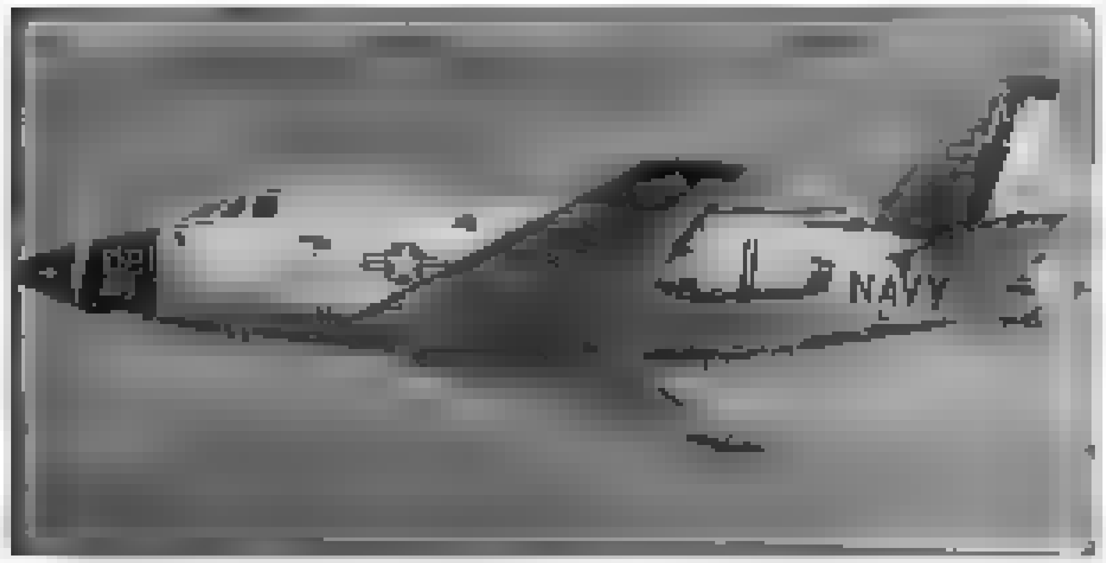
| T-39D | [illegible] |



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# T2D/P2D

Beginning as the [illegible] Bureau of Aeronautics design, this aircraft's prototype was built at the Naval Aircraft Factory and designated the XTN-1. A large twin engine aircraft, its design was the Bureau's response to a need for an improved torpedo bomber. At that time, Rear Admiral William A. Moffett was Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics. Moffett recognized the existence of the Naval Aircraft Factory for research and development purposes, but he also recognized the need for a strong [illegible] industry in the United States and he [illegible] opposed large production runs at the Factory. In keeping with this attitude, Moffett gave the production contract for the XTN-1 to Douglas, who produced the aircraft as the T2D.

Built as [illegible] the T2D [illegible] of the Army [illegible] felt the [illegible] over the sea. With [illegible] In response to [illegible] complaints the Navy had Douglas [illegible] the last [illegible] T2Ds with [illegible] floats and redesignated them P2D for patrol [illegible]

The aircraft made its first flight on [illegible] January 192[illegible]. It was first delivered to squadron [illegible] on [illegible] May 192[illegible]. The designation [illegible] changed [illegible] squadron [illegible] P2D [illegible] on 28 February [illegible] A total of [illegible] aircraft were accepted.

**XT2D-1**

Specifications for the XT2D-1 are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Span | [illegible] ft |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Width (wings folded) | [illegible] ft |
| Full load | [illegible] lbs |
| Useful load | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty weight | [illegible] lbs |
| Landing speed | [illegible] mph |

### Bureau Numbers

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|---|---|
| XTN | [illegible] |
| T2D | [illegible] |
| P2D | [illegible] |

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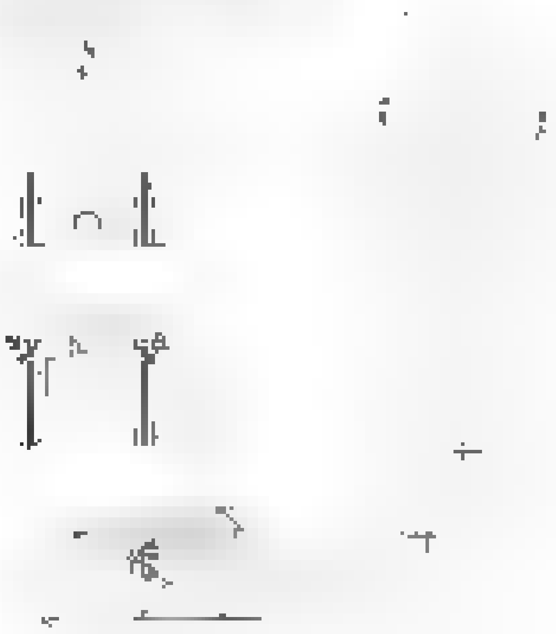


[illegible]

# T3M

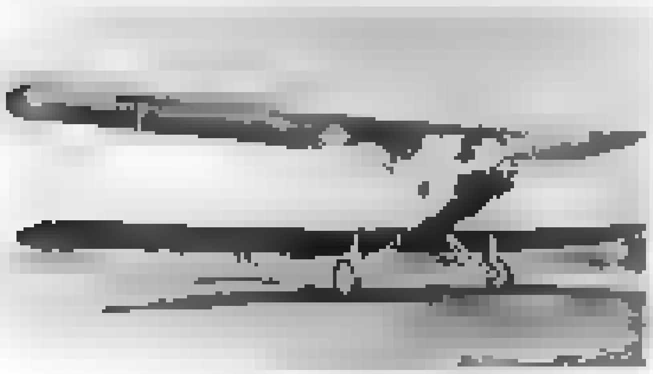
The Martin T3M was an improved [illegible] of the [illegible]. The [illegible] selected the [illegible] in 1925 [illegible] torpedo bomber biplane capable of operating with wheels or floats [illegible] T3M [illegible] made the designations T3M-1 and T3M-2. Both were three [illegible] (pilot, bombardier and gunner). The T3M-1 was powered by a [illegible] horsepower Wright [illegible] engine and the T3M-2 had a [illegible] horsepower Packard 3A-2500 [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] and Bureau Number [illegible] were used [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible].

The [illegible] the [illegible] first flew [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] service [illegible] 1926. It was first delivered to squadron [illegible] in September 1926 [illegible]. It was last reported in squadron service [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

T3M-2

Typical floatplane specifications for the T3M-2 are as follows:

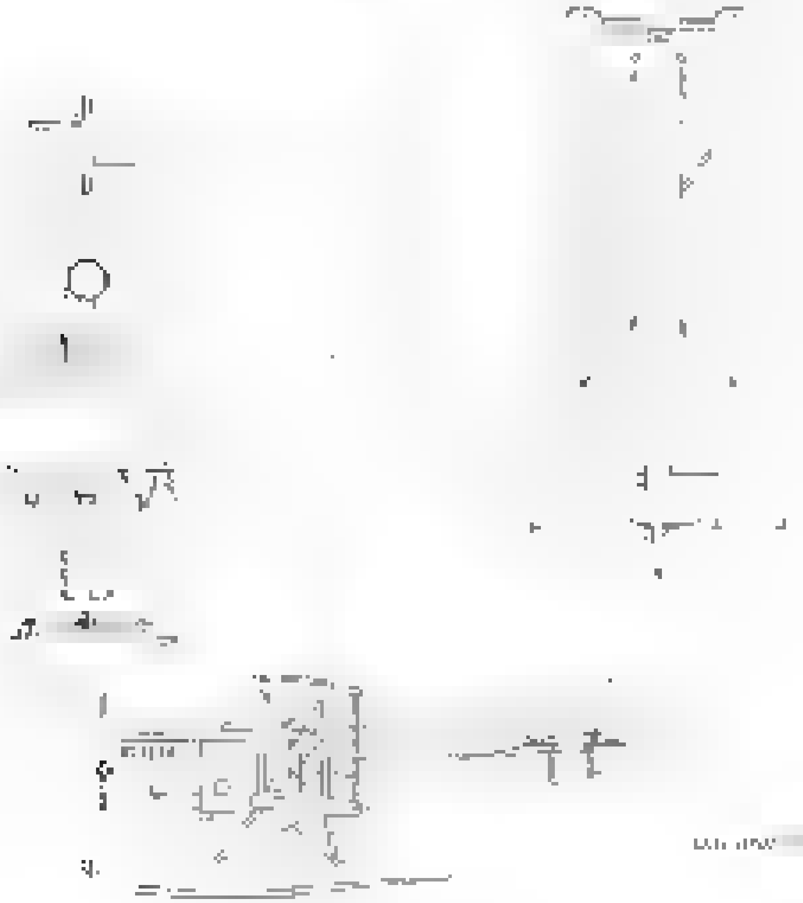
| | |
|---|---|
| Gross weight | 5,8[illegible] lbs |
| Empty weight | [illegible] lbs |
| Total useful load | [illegible] lbs |
| Armament | one .30 cal gun in rear cockpit |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Wing span upper | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing span lower | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |



T3M-1

### Bureau Numbers

| | |
|---|---|
| T3M-1 | A-[illegible] - A-[illegible] |
| XT3M-1 & XT3M-2 | A-[illegible] |
| T3M-2 | A-[illegible] - A-[illegible] |
| T3M-[illegible] & XT3M-[illegible] | A-[illegible] |

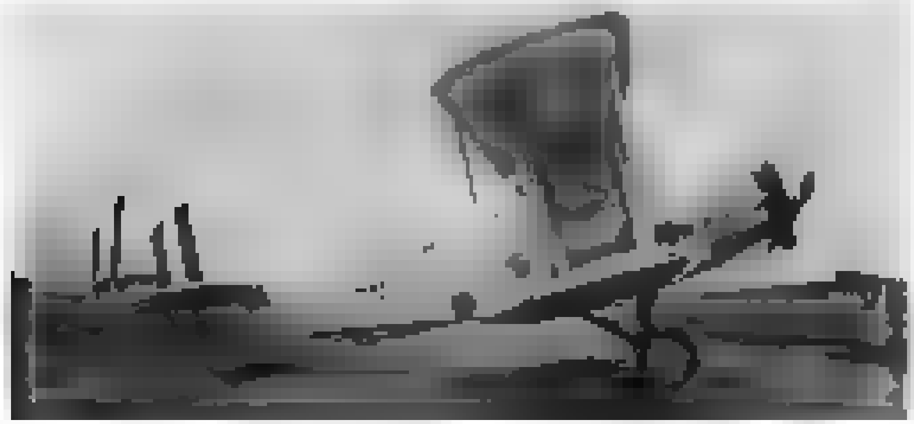


[illegible] T3M-2

## T4M and TG and TE

The [illegible] of the [illegible]. It was the Martin [illegible] model [illegible]. Martin designed and developed this torpedo bomber and [illegible] to the Navy who designated it [illegible] and [illegible] the XT4M-1. It was purchased for experimental use to determine the [illegible] of [illegible] production. A production [illegible] of [illegible] June 1927 ordered 102 T4M-1 aircraft. The [illegible] single engine three purpose [illegible] biplane equipped for [illegible] and [illegible] landing with emergency flotation gear. The aircraft would be used mainly for torpedo [illegible] bombing [illegible] and gunnery [illegible] T4M-1 [illegible] production planes [illegible] delivered [illegible] aircraft designated T4M-1. On [illegible] June 1929 the Bureau of Aeronautics [illegible] with the Great Lakes Aircraft Company to [illegible] the T4M aircraft designated TG-1. In June 1929 Great Lakes [illegible] the Martin plant at Cleveland. In June 1930 the Navy [illegible] identical contract [illegible] the Detroit [illegible] for [illegible] TE aircraft which were to be similar to Martin T4Ms. Detroit [illegible] much of the work on the TE [illegible] Great Lakes and [illegible]. Eventually Detroit [illegible] Great Lakes the entire job [illegible] TE. For this reason the [illegible] the TE [illegible] with Great Lakes [illegible] designation TG [illegible] Great Lakes delivered a total of [illegible] aircraft designated TG.

The date of the T4M first flight is not [illegible] known but is estimated to be [illegible] 1927. It was first delivered to a squadron on [illegible] August 1928 and was last delivered in [illegible]. The designation was [illegible] T4M [illegible] March 1938.



[illegible]

**T4M-1 Landplane**

Specifications for the T4M-1 are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Power plant | 525 hp Pratt & Whitney R-1690<br>[illegible] hp Wright R-1820 on T4M-[illegible] |
| Gross weight | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty weight | [illegible] lbs |
| Total useful load | [illegible] lbs |
| Armament | One flexible [illegible] gun [illegible] torpedo |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Wing span | [illegible] |
| Height | [illegible] |
| Length | [illegible] |

[illegible]

**TG-[illegible] (Landplane)**

Specifications for the [illegible] are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Power Plant | Pratt & Whitney R-[illegible]<br>Pratt & Whitney R-[illegible] |
| Gross weight | [illegible] lbs |
| Empty weight | [illegible] lbs |
| Total useful load | [illegible] lbs |
| Armament | [illegible] |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Wing span | [illegible] upper and lower |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |

**Bureau Numbers**

[illegible]

[illegible]

## TB

The Boeing [illegible] Company built the single-engine, amphibious [illegible] plane to Bureau of Aeronautics design [illegible]. Only three were constructed and all of them were delivered to the [illegible] during [illegible]. Powered by a [illegible] Packard [illegible] the type [illegible] could be used as a float plane [illegible] up to [illegible] pounds of [illegible]. The TBs were assigned to the [illegible].

**TB-1**

Specifications for the TB-1 are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Crew | three |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft |
| Span | 5[illegible] ft [illegible] |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Weights | |
| Empty | [illegible] lbs |
| Loaded | [illegible] lbs |
| Range | [illegible] |

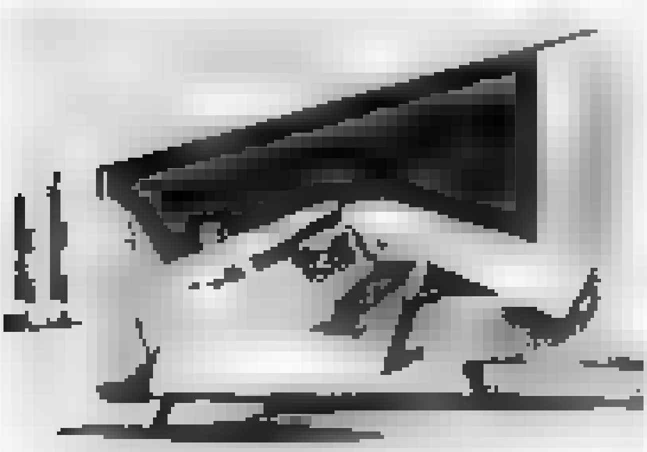
### Bureau Numbers

TB-1 [illegible]

A TB-1 [illegible]

## TBD Devastator

In 1934 the Navy conducted a competition for a new carrier-based torpedo bomber. Great Lakes submitted a design for a biplane; Douglas for a monoplane. The Great Lakes design was built as the TBG. The design submitted by Douglas was ordered for evaluation purpose. It first flew on 15 April 1935 and became the Navy's first carrier-based monoplane, the TBD Devastator. The first delivery was made on 25 June 1937. The last delivery was made in November 1939. The aircraft was removed from frontline operations in August 1942. A total of 130 aircraft were accepted.



An XTBD-1 Devastator.

### Models Accepted from the Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XTBD-1**

Experimental version of the Douglas design.

**TBD-1**

Production version of the XTBD-1. It was a torpedo or bomber, three-place monoplane. The performance characteristics for the TBD-1 are as follows:

Maximum gross weight 10,194 lb

Maximum fuel weight 1,080 lb

Maximum speed 206 mph at 8,000 ft

Maximum range 716 statute miles

Armament:

one .30-cal. machine gun, 500 rounds

one .30-cal. flexible gun, 600 rounds

plus 1,000 pounds of bombs or one 1,935 pound torpedo

| | |
|---|---|
| Engine | one 900 hp Pratt & Whitney R-1830-64 |
| Wing span | 50 ft (folded 25 ft 8 in) |
| Length | 35 ft |

### Other Designations

**TBD-1A**

Test float landing gear added by the Naval Aircraft Factory.

### Bureau Numbers

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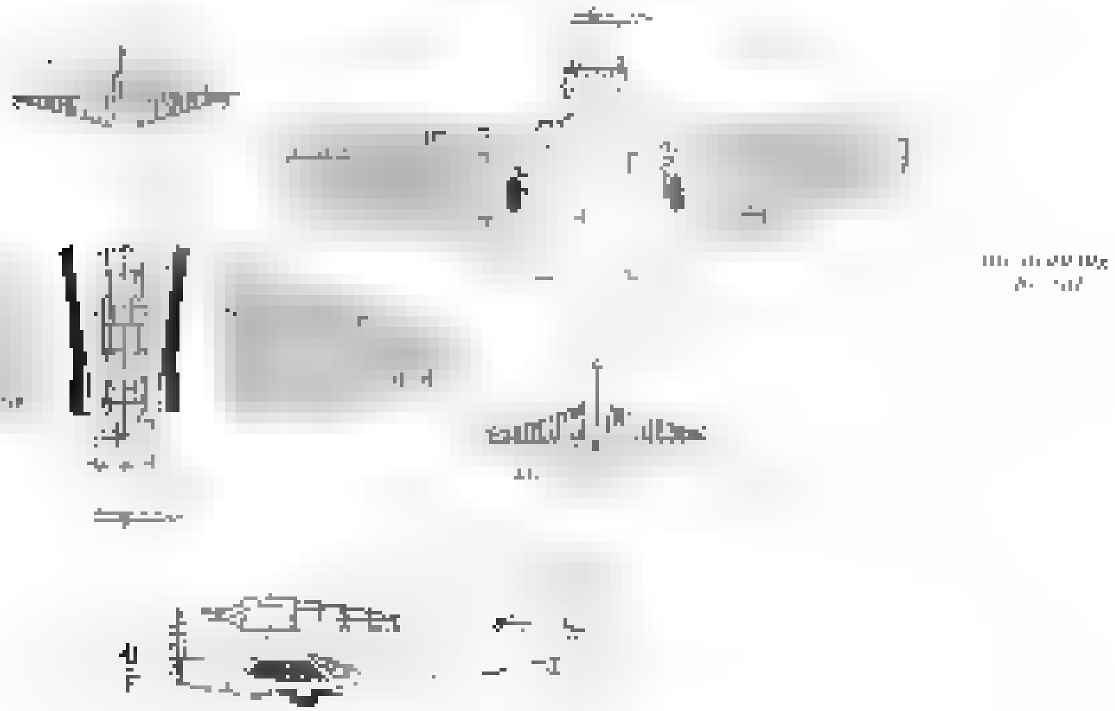
|---|---|
| XTBD-1 | 9720 |
| TBD-1 | 0268-0381 |
| TBD-1 | 1505-1519 |



Line drawing of TBD-1.

## TBF/TBM Avenger

Among the numerous [illegible] outstanding [illegible] the Avenger perhaps holds the honor of being the most [illegible] squadron [illegible] October [illegible] double [illegible] aircraft [illegible] torpedo bomber [illegible] aircraft and the Navy [illegible] AEW [illegible] It was also a [illegible] for night operations, one for [illegible] countermeasures and another for [illegible]

The contract of 8 April 1940 with Grumman [illegible] was for the [illegible] first [illegible] until the [illegible] Grumman [illegible] work on the [illegible] had been [illegible] with [illegible] The first flight of the mid-wing monoplane three-place torpedo bomber occurred on 1 August 1941. During the Second World War the Avenger was produced by Grumman as the TBF and by the Eastern Aircraft Division of General Motors as the TBM. Grumman produced a total of [illegible]290 aircraft. Eastern produced [illegible] aircraft. The last delivery to the Navy was made in September [illegible]

The TBF-1 could carry one [illegible] 2,000 pounds of torpedo or bomb [illegible] load. It had a power turret with one .50-caliber gun [illegible] forward-firing .30-caliber gun in the nose [illegible] and another [illegible] gun located ventrally [illegible] all [illegible]

The TBF-1 was powered by a single [illegible] horsepower Wright R-2600-8 engine.

The XTBF-3 was the experimental prototype Avenger with the 1,900 horsepower Wright R-2600-20 engine. The production version of the XTBF-3 was never produced in the F designation but was built by Eastern as the TBM-3. The TBM-3 range was [illegible] miles [illegible] and a maximum speed of [illegible] mph.

The TBM-3 had a length of 40 feet [illegible] and a height of 16 feet 5 inches. The wing span was [illegible] feet 2 inches; folded size was 19 feet.

### Model Designations Accepted from Manufacturer (New Builds)

**XTBF-1**

Experimental version of design.

**TBF-1**

Production version of XTBF-1.

**TBF-1B**

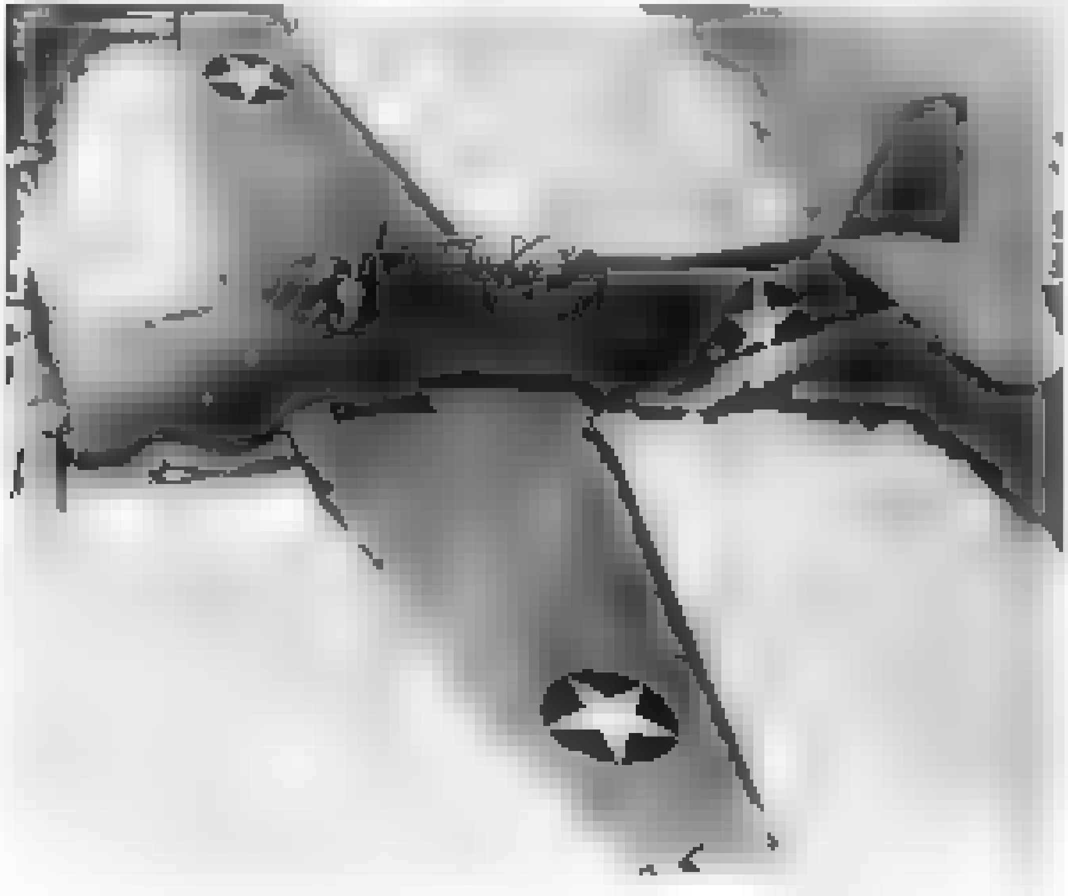
TBF-1 delivered [illegible] delivery.

**TBF-1C**

Same as TBF-1 but with provision for two .50-cal wing guns.

**XTBF-2**

Test version for Wright experimental R-2600-10 engine.



[illegible]

**XTBF-3**

Experimental version with Wright R-2600-20 engine.

**TBM-1**

Built to same specifications as the TBF-1.

**TBM-1C**

Same as TBF-1C.

**XTBM-3**

Experimental version with Wright R-2600-20 engine.

**TBM-3**

Production development of the XTBF-3, which was similar to the TBF-1, but with an improved engine, 1900 hp Wright R-2600-20.

**TBM-3E**

TBM-3 equipped with ASW radar.

**XTBM-4**

TBM-3 with structural strength increases in wing center section.

### Other Designations

**TBF-1CP**

Same as the TBF-1C but equipped with trimetrogon camera for photo reconnaissance.

**TBF-1D**

Same as TBF-1 except for special radio and radar installation.

**TBF-1E**

Same as TBF-1 but equipped with special radar.

**TBF-1J**

TBF-1 converted to utility status.

**TBF-1L**

The TBF-1, TBF-1C, TBF-1D, TBF-1E but equipped with searchlight mounted in bomb bay.

**TBM-1CP**

Same as TBM-1C but equipped with trimetrogon camera for photo reconnaissance.

**TBM-1D**

Same as TBF-1D.

**TBM-1E**

Same as TBM-1 but equipped with special radar.

**TBM-1J**

TBM-1 converted to utility status.

**TBM-1L**

TBF-1, TBF-1C, or TBF-1E but equipped with searchlight mounted in the bomb bay.

**TBM-3D**

Same as TBM-3 but equipped with special radar.

**TBM-3H**

Same as TBM-3 but equipped with the search radar, APS-4.

**TBM-3J**

TBM-3 converted to utility status.

**TBM-3L**

Same as TBM-3 but with searchlight mounted in bomb bay.

**TBM-3N**

TBM-3 equipped for night operations (all-weather).

**TBM-3P**

Same as TBM-3 but with trimetrogon camera for photo reconnaissance.

**TBM-3Q**

TBM-3 equipped for ECM purposes.

**TBM-3R**

COD version of TBM-3.

**TBM-3S**

ASW version of the TBM-3E.

**TBM-3S2**

Same as TBM-3S with modernized ASW equipment and rearrangement of the after crew space.

**TBM-3U**

Utility version of TBM-3E.

**TBM-3W**

Same as TBM-3 but equipped as a special ASW search plane.

**TBM-3W2**

TBM-3W with improved ASW equipment and rearrangement of the after crew space with APS-20 radar.

### Bureau Numbers

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| XTBF-1 | [illegible] |
| TBF-1 | [illegible] |
| XTBF-2 | 00393 |
| TBF-1 | [illegible] |
| TBF-1 | [illegible] |
| TBF-1 | [illegible] |
| TBM-1C | [illegible] |
| TBF-1 | [illegible] |
| XTBF-3 | [illegible] |
| TBF-1 | [illegible] |
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| TBM-1 | [illegible] |
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| XTBM-3 | [illegible] |
| TBM-1C | [illegible] |

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| TBF | [illegible] | TBM-3E | [illegible] |
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| TBM-3E | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| TBM | [illegible] | TBM | [illegible] |
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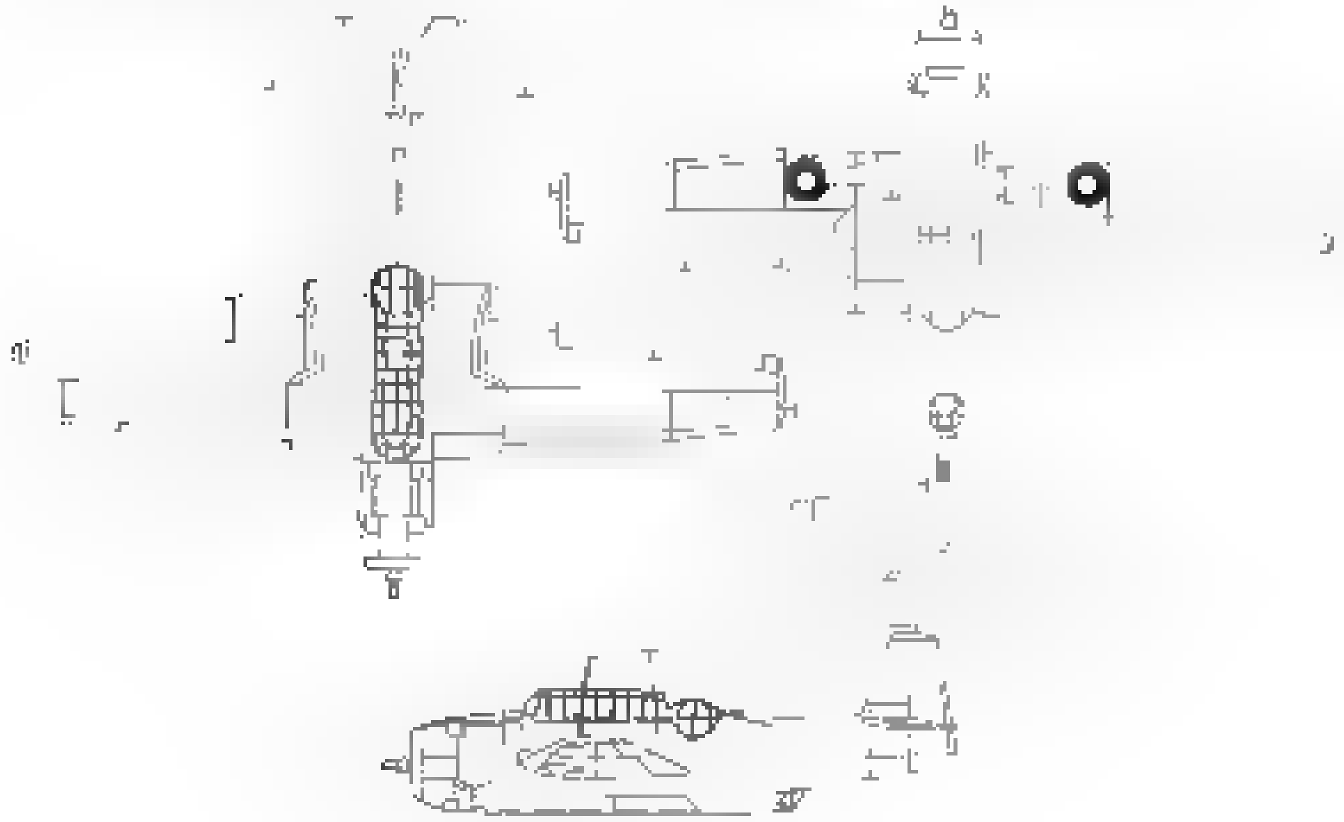
| TBM-3E | [illegible] | TBM | [illegible] |



[illegible]

# TBY Seawolf

Although [illegible] designed and built the prototype of the T[illegible], Consolidated built [illegible] production air[illegible] [illegible] Seawolf never [illegible] operational [illegible] designed the torpedo bomber [illegible] contract [illegible] April 1[illegible] [illegible] production orders [illegible] with the Na[illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible] Vought [illegible] manufacture [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Consolidated [illegible] [illegible] order for [illegible] [illegible] but only [illegible] before the order was canceled. The first [illegible] aircraft was designated [illegible] The Consolidated version was designated TBY.

Flight of TBY-2s [illegible]

First flight: [illegible] December 1[illegible]

First operational squadron: [illegible] TBY-[illegible] [illegible] Aug 194[illegible]

TBY-2

Specifications for the TBY-2 are as follows:

Weight:

Gross [illegible] lbs

Empty [illegible] lbs

Wing span [illegible] ft [illegible] in

Wing area [illegible] sq ft

Height [illegible] ft [illegible] in

Length [illegible] ft [illegible] in

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] pounds

[illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] pounds

[illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] pounds

Bomb capacity [illegible] lbs internal

2,000 lbs external

## Bureau Numbers

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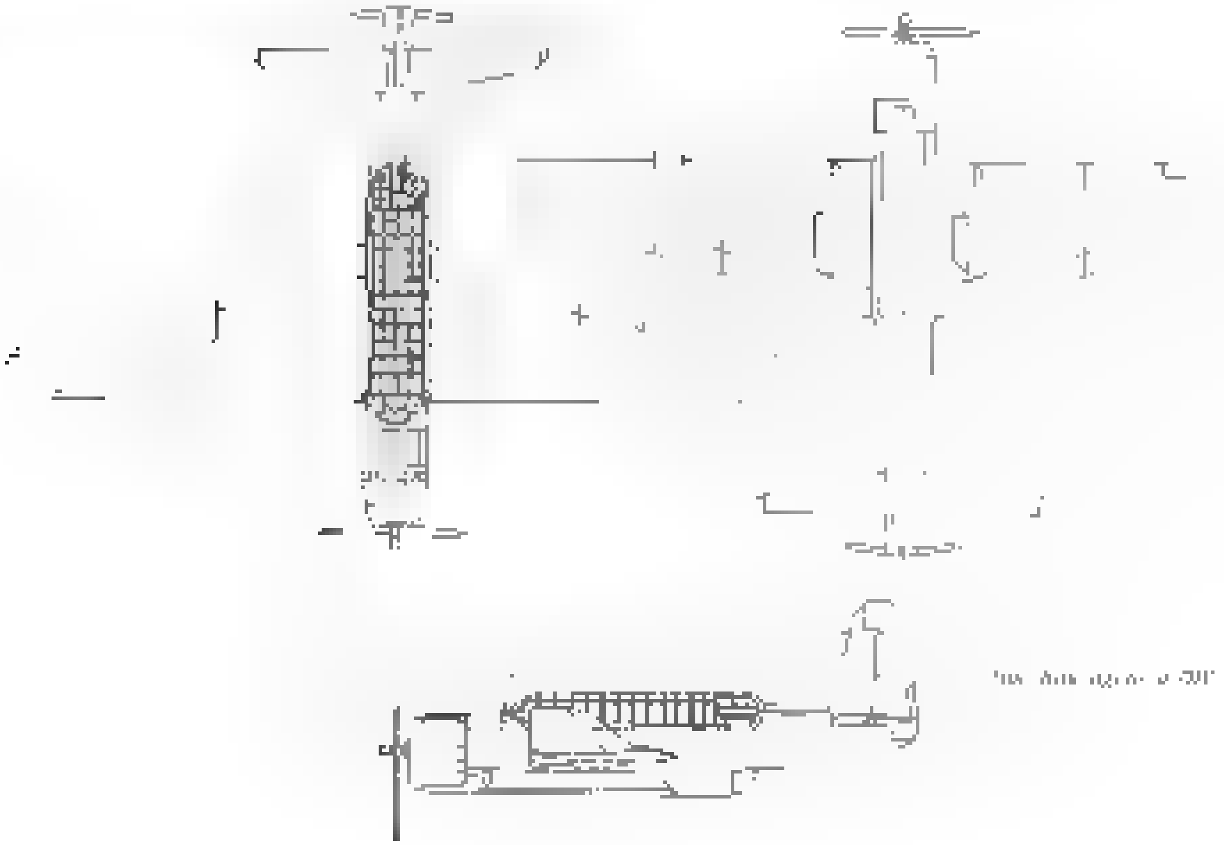
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] (canceled) |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | canceled |
| TBY-2 | [illegible] | |



Three-view drawing of a TBY

## TC-4C Academe

[illegible] Navy [illegible] Academe [illegible] for the [illegible] Deliveries of the TC-4C Academe began in [illegible] and were completed [illegible] of the [illegible] are as follows:

Power Plant: [illegible] Rolls Royce [illegible] turboprop

Maximum Range: [illegible] nautical miles

Weight

Maximum [illegible] lbs

Dimensions

| | |
|---|---|
| Wing span | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Wing area | [illegible] sq ft |
| Length | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Height | [illegible] ft [illegible] in |
| Schedule | [illegible] |

**Bureau Numbers**

[illegible]

## APPENDIX 2

# Aircraft Carrier Listing for CV, CVB, CVA, CVAN, CVN, CVL, and CVE Designations

THE [illegible] designations were established within [illegible] original [illegible] designations [illegible] July 19[illegible]. [illegible] replaced [illegible] CVB [illegible] October 195[illegible]. [illegible] replaced [illegible] July 19[illegible] to designate the multimission [illegible] decommissioning [illegible] 197[illegible].

During World War [illegible] September [illegible] the [illegible] redesignated [illegible] include these designations [illegible] CVB and CVL [illegible] decommissioned [illegible] carriers include these designations.

The [illegible] during the later [illegible] mentioned [illegible] have [illegible] designations [illegible] ships Langley, Ranger, and Wasp were single types [illegible] Lexington and Saratoga were sisters [illegible] Yorktown, Enterprise and Hornet.

Essex class—[illegible] through [illegible] through [illegible] through [illegible] of these number [illegible] and [illegible] sometimes referred to as "long-hull" Essex class.

Independence class—[illegible] ships [illegible] through [illegible]

Midway class—ships CVB [illegible] through [illegible]

Saipan class—ships [illegible] 48 and 49

Enterprise class—ship [illegible]

Forrestal class—ships [illegible] through [illegible]

Kitty Hawk class—ships [illegible]

Nimitz class—[illegible] 68 through [illegible]

### Carrier Listing for CV, CVA, CVB, CVAN, CVN, and CVL

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|
| Langley | [illegible] Mar 1922 | | |
| | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | 2[illegible] Apr 19[illegible] |
| Lexington | [illegible] Dec 19[illegible] | | |
| | 8 May 1942 | | |
| Saratoga | 16 [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | 26 Jul 1946 | | |
| Ranger | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] Oct 19[illegible] | | |
| [illegible] | 9 Sep 19[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | | |

### Carrier Listing for CV, CVA, CVB, CVAN, CVN, and CVL—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
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| [illegible] | [illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] Jul 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | 8 Aug 19[illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] | | |
| 8 Hornet | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | | |
| 9 Essex | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | 8 Mar 19[illegible] |
| 10 Yorktown | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] Jun 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | Sep [illegible] |
| Intrepid | 16 Aug 19[illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Hornet | [illegible] Nov 19[illegible] | | |
| | 26 [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] Jun 1958 |
| Franklin | [illegible] Jan 19[illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | 8 Aug 19[illegible] |
| 14 Ticonderoga | 8 May 19[illegible] | | |
| | 16 Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 15 Randolph | [illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 16 Lexington | [illegible] Feb 19[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | 8 [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | Jul [illegible] |
| 17 Bunker Hill | [illegible] | | |
| | [illegible] 19[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | | | 8 Aug 19[illegible] |
| 18 Wasp | [illegible] | 18 | |
| | [illegible] Jul 19[illegible] | [illegible] 18 | [illegible] |
| | | [illegible] | [illegible] 19[illegible] |
| 19 Hancock | [illegible] Apr 19[illegible] | 19 | |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] 19 | [illegible] |
| 20 Bennington | [illegible] Aug 19[illegible] | 20 | |

## Carrier Listing for CV, CVA, CVB, CVAN, CVN, and CVL—Continued

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| 21 Boxer | 16 Apr 1945<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| 22 Independence | [illegible] Jan 1943<br>[illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| Princeton | [illegible] Feb [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| 24 Belleau Wood | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible] | |
| 25 Cowpens | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] |
| 26 Monterey | [illegible] Jun [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] |
| Langley | [illegible] Aug [illegible]<br>11 Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| 28 Cabot | [illegible] Jul [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] |
| 29 Bataan | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] |
| 30 San Jacinto | [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] |
| 31 Bon Homme Richard | [illegible] Jan [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jul [illegible] | <br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] |
| 32 Leyte | [illegible] Apr 1946<br>[illegible] Jun 1959 | <br><br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| Kearsarge | [illegible] Mar 1946<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| 34 Oriskany | [illegible] 1950<br>[illegible] Sep [illegible] | <br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 36 Antietam | [illegible] Jan [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| 37 Princeton | [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jan 1970 | <br>CVA-37<br>CVS-37<br>LPH-5 | <br>Oct 1952<br>Jan 1954<br>2 Mar 1959 |
| 38 Shangri-La | [illegible] Sep [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jul 1971 | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] 1952<br>9 Jun 1959 |
| 39 Lake Champlain | [illegible] Jun [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| 40 Tarawa | [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>10 Jan [illegible]<br>[illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| Midway | [illegible] Sep [illegible]<br>[illegible] Apr 1992 | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>9 Jun [illegible] |

## Carrier Listing for CV, CVA, CVB, CVAN, CVN, and CVL—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|
| 42 Franklin D. Roosevelt | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 43 Coral Sea | [illegible]<br>26 Apr 1990 | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 45 Valley Forge | [illegible] 1946<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>Jul [illegible] |
| 47 Philippine Sea | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| 48 Saipan | [illegible] Jul 1946<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| 49 Wright | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| 59 Forrestal | [illegible]<br>9 Sep [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible]<br>[illegible] |
| 60 Saratoga | [illegible] Apr 1956<br>[illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| Ranger | [illegible] Aug [illegible]<br>[illegible] Jul 1993 | [illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 62 Independence | 10 Jan 1959 | CVA-62<br>CV-62 | <br>28 Feb [illegible] |
| Kitty Hawk | [illegible] Apr 1961 | [illegible] | <br>[illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| 64 Constellation | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| Enterprise | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 66 America | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 67 John F. Kennedy | 7 Sep 1968 | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>[illegible] Apr [illegible] |
| 68 Nimitz | [illegible] May [illegible] | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | <br>9 Jun [illegible] |
| 69 Dwight D. Eisenhower | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| 70 Carl Vinson | [illegible] 1982 | [illegible] | |
| 71 Theodore Roosevelt | [illegible] 1986 | | |
| 72 Abraham Lincoln | [illegible] 1989 | [illegible] | |
| 73 George Washington | Jul 1992 | | |
| 74 John C. Stennis | | | |

## Carrier Listing for CVE Designations

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Carrier Listing for CVE Designations—Continued

[illegible]

## Carrier Listing for CVE Designations—Continued

| No. | | Date of Commissioning Date of Decommissioning | Redesignation | Date of Redesignation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 87 | Steamer Bay | [illegible] Apr 44<br>[illegible] 1946 | CVHE-[illegible] | Jun 1955 |
| 88 | Cape Esperance | [illegible] Apr 44<br>[illegible] 1959 | [illegible]-88 | Jun 1955 |
| 89 | Takanis Bay | [illegible] Apr 44<br>Aug 1946 | [illegible]-89<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 90 | Thetis Bay | [illegible] Apr 44<br>[illegible] 1964 | CVHA-1<br>LPH-6 | Jul 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 91 | Makassar Strait | [illegible] Apr 44<br>Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | Jun 1955 |
| 92 | Windham Bay | [illegible] May 44<br>[illegible] 1959 | [illegible]-92 | Jun 1955 |
| 93 | Makin Island | [illegible] May 44<br>Jun 1946 | | |
| 94 | Lunga Point | [illegible] May [illegible]<br>Apr 46 | [illegible]<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 95 | Bismarck Sea | [illegible] May [illegible]<br>[illegible] Feb 1945 | | |
| 96 | Salamaua | 26 May 44<br>[illegible] May 1946 | | |
| 97 | Hollandia | Jun 44<br>Apr 46 | [illegible]<br>AKV-[illegible] | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 98 | Kwajalein | Jun 44<br>Apr 46 | [illegible]-98<br>AKV-[illegible] | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 99 | Admiralty Islands | Jun 44<br>[illegible] 1946 | | |
| 100 | Bougainville | Jun 44<br>Apr 46 | [illegible]-100<br>AKV-[illegible] | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 101 | Matanikau | Jun 44<br>Apr 46 | [illegible]-101<br>AKV-[illegible] | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 102 | Attu | [illegible] Jun 44<br>[illegible] Jul 1946 | | |
| 103 | Roi | [illegible] Jul 44<br>[illegible] May 1946 | | |
| 104 | Munda | [illegible] Jul 44<br>Sep [illegible] | [illegible]-104 | Jun 1955 |
| 105 | Commencement Bay | Nov [illegible]<br>Apr [illegible] | CVHE-105<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |

| No. | | Date of Commissioning Date of Decommissioning | Redesignation | Date of Redesignation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 106 | Block Island | [illegible] Dec 44<br>Jul 1954 | LPH-1<br>CVE-106<br>AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] Dec 195[illegible]<br>Feb 1959<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 107 | Gilbert Islands | [illegible]<br>Jan 1955 | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 108 | Kula Gulf | [illegible]<br>Sep [illegible] | AKV | [illegible] 1959 |
| 109 | Cape Gloucester | [illegible] Mar [illegible]<br>Apr [illegible] | [illegible]<br>AKV | Jun 195[illegible]<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 110 | Salerno Bay | [illegible]<br>Jun 1954 | AKV | [illegible] 1959 |
| 111 | Vella Gulf | [illegible] Apr [illegible]<br>Jun 1946 | [illegible]<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 112 | Siboney | [illegible]<br>Jun [illegible] | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 113 | Puget Sound | Jun [illegible]<br>Jun 1946 | [illegible]<br>AKV-[illegible] | Jun 195[illegible]<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 114 | Rendova | [illegible]<br>Apr | AKV | [illegible] 1959 |
| 115 | Bairoko | 16 Jul [illegible]<br>Apr [illegible] | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 116 | Badoeng Strait | Nov [illegible]<br>[illegible] | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 117 | Saidor | Sep [illegible]<br>[illegible] | [illegible]<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 118 | Sicily | Feb 1946<br>Jul 1954 | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 119 | Point Cruz | 16 [illegible]<br>Sep [illegible] | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 120 | Mindoro | [illegible]<br>[illegible] | AKV-[illegible] | [illegible] 1959 |
| 121 | Rabaul | [illegible] Aug 1946<br>Sep [illegible] | [illegible]<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |
| 122 | Palau | Jan 1946<br>Apr [illegible] | AKV | [illegible] 1959 |
| 123 | Tinian | [illegible] Jul 1946<br>Jun [illegible] | [illegible]<br>AKV | Jun 1955<br>[illegible] 1959 |

### APPENDIX 3

# Carrier Deployments by Year

THE CARRIER DEPLOYMENT LISTS do not cover the deployments for escort carriers (CVEs), almost all of the small carriers (CVLs) or most of the antisubmarine carriers (CVSs). Departure and return dates are normally from the carrier's home port or other state side port.

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1946

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1947

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1948

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1949

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04 Jan 1949 | 05 May 1949 | CVG-6 | CVB 4[illegible] | Med |
| 04 Jan 1949 | 23 May 1949 | CVG-7 | CV 47 | Med |
| 0[illegible] Mar 1949 | 26 Sep 1949 | CVG-[illegible] | CVB 4[illegible] | Med |
| 06 Sep 1949 | 26 Jan 1950 | CVG-7 | CV 32 | Med |
| [illegible] 1949 | [illegible] Nov 1949 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1950

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 06 Jan 1950 | 25 May 1950 | CVG-4 | CVB 42 | Med |
| [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| 02 May 1950 | 24 Aug 1950 | CVG-[illegible] | CV 4[illegible] | Med |
| 05 Jul 1950 | 09 Jun 1951 | CVG-11* | CV 47 | WestPac/Korea |
| 10 Jul 1950 | 10 Nov 1950 | CVG-7 | CVB 42 | Med |
| [illegible] 1950 | [illegible] Nov 1950 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Sep 1950 | [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] | CVB [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1950 | [illegible] Feb 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| 09 Nov 1950 | 09 Jun 1951 | CVG-19 | CV 47 | WestPac/Korea |
| 06 Dec 1950 | 07 Apr 1951 | CVG-2[illegible] | CV 45 | WestPac/Korea |

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1951

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 Jan 1951 | [illegible] May 1951 | CVG-6 | CVB 42 | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1951 | [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Mar 1951 | 08 Jun 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1951 | [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1951 | [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] Mar 1951 | [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1951 | 29 Aug 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Jun 1951 | 25 Jan 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Sep 1951 | [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1951 | [illegible] Feb 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1951 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea |
| [illegible] 1951 | [illegible] 1952 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Nov 1951 | [illegible] Jun 1952 | CVG-8 | CV 40 | Med |
| [illegible] 1951 | 08 Aug 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1952

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] Mar 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] Sep 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Mar 1952 | [illegible] Nov 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Apr 1952 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1952—Continued

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Mar 1952 | [illegible] Jun 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Mar 1952 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/NorLant |
| [illegible] Jun 1952 | [illegible] Feb 1953 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Aug 1952 | [illegible] Mar 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Aug 1952 | [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| 26 Aug 1952 | 19 [illegible] 1952 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant/Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1952 | [illegible] Feb 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1952 | [illegible] Mar 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Nov 1952 | [illegible] Jun 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Dec 1952 | 19 [illegible] 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Dec 1952 | [illegible] Aug 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1953

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1953 | [illegible] Jul 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1953 | [illegible] Sep 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1953 | [illegible] Nov 1953 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Apr 1953 | [illegible] 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] WestPac/Korea |
| [illegible] Apr 1953 | [illegible] 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1953 | [illegible] Dec 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1953 | [illegible] Jul 1953 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| [illegible] Jul 1953 | [illegible] Jan 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Korea/WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1953 | [illegible] Mar 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1953 | [illegible] Apr 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1953 | [illegible] Mar 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | World Cruise |
| 16 Sep 1953 | 23 Feb 1954 | CVG-7 | CVA-20 | NorLant/Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1953 | [illegible] 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Dec 1953 | [illegible] Jul 1954 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

The [illegible] departed [illegible] as [illegible] part of [illegible] air group.

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1954

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1954 | [illegible] Aug 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1954 | 06 Aug 1954 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA-15 | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1954 | [illegible] Oct 1954 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1954 | 19 Nov 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1954 | [illegible] Dec 1954 | [illegible] | [illegible] | World Cruise |
| [illegible] Jul 1954 | [illegible] Jan 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jul 1954 | [illegible] Feb 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1954 | [illegible] Apr 1955 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1954 | [illegible] Apr 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Oct 1954 | [illegible] Mar 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1954 | [illegible] Jun 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1954 | [illegible] Jun 1955 | ATG-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 27 Dec 1954 | [illegible] Jul 1955 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA-41 | World Cruise |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1955

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | 22 Sep 1955 | CVG-19 | CVA 34 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1955 | 23 Nov 1955 | ATG-2 | CVA 47 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1955 | [illegible] Sep 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1955 | [illegible] 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1955 | [illegible] Nov 1955 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1955 | 03 Feb 1956 | CVG-14 | CVA 21 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1955 | [illegible] Mar 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1955 | [illegible] Jan 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1955 | [illegible] Mar 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1955 | [illegible] Jan 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1955 | [illegible] Aug 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1956

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 05 Jan 1956 | 25 Jun 1956 | ATG-3 | CVA 38 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1956 | [illegible] Jun 1956 | CVG-9 | CVA 34 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1956 | 05 Sep 1956 | CVG-8 | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| 19 Mar 1956 | [illegible] Sep 1956 | ATG-4 | CVA 10 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1956 | [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1956 | 19 Feb 1957 | ATG-202 | CVA 15 | Med |
| 16 Jul 1956 | 26 Jan 1957 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 9 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1956 | [illegible] Feb 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1956 | [illegible] Feb 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1956 | [illegible] 1956 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Nov 1956 | [illegible] 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1957

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1957 | [illegible] Jul 1957 | CVG-[illegible] | CVA 59 | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1957 | 25 Jul 1957 | CVG-14 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1957 | 27 Jul 1957 | ATG-182 | CVA 49 | Med |
| 09 Mar 1957 | 25 Aug 1957 | CVG-19 | CVA 10 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1957 | 18 Sep 1957 | ATG-2 | CVA 19 | WestPac |
| 19 Apr 1957 | [illegible] Oct 1957 | CVG-12 | CVA 16 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1957 | [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1957 | [illegible] 1957 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1957 | 05 Mar 1958 | CVG-17 | CVA 42 | Med |
| 09 Aug 1957 | 02 Apr 1958 | ATG-3 | CVA 43 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1957 | [illegible] Oct 1957 | CVG-1 | CVA 59 | NorLant |
| [illegible] Aug 1957 | [illegible] Oct 1957 | [illegible] | CVS [illegible] | NorLant |
| [illegible] Sep 1957 | [illegible] Oct 1957 | CVG-6 | CVA [illegible] | NorLant |
| [illegible] Sep 1957 | [illegible] Oct 1957 | CVG-7 | CVA 60 | NorLant |
| 16 Sep 1957 | 25 Apr 1958 | CVG-9 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1958

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 06 Jan 1958 | [illegible] Jun 1958 | ATG [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] Nov 1958 | ATG [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med/[illegible]/WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1958 | [illegible] 1958 | [illegible]5 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1958 | [illegible] Nov 1958 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 09 Jun 1958 | 08 Aug 1958 | ATG [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 20 Jun 1958 | 20 Aug 1958 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jul 1958 | 19 Dec 1958 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 16 Aug 1958 | [illegible] Mar 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 2[illegible] Aug 1958 | [illegible] Jan 1959 | ATG [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1958 | [illegible] Mar 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| 02 Sep 1958 | [illegible] Mar 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1958 | [illegible] Feb 1959 | ATG [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1958 | 18 Jun 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1959

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0[illegible] Jan 1959 | 27 Jul 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1959 | 0[illegible] Sep 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1959 | [illegible] Aug 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1959 | 0[illegible] Oct 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 2[illegible] Apr 1959 | [illegible] Dec 1959 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 0[illegible] Aug 1959 | 18 Jan 1960 | [illegible]5 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 07 Aug 1959 | [illegible] Feb 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible]5 Aug 1959 | [illegible] Mar 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible]5 Aug 1959 | [illegible] Feb 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1959 | [illegible] Mar 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1960

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 Jan 1960 | 24 Aug 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| 28 Jan 1960 | [illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1960 | [illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1960 | [illegible] Oct 1960 | [illegible]5 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1960 | [illegible] 1960 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| 16 Jul 1960 | [illegible] Mar 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] Mar 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med |
| 2[illegible] Aug 1960 | [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | Med/[illegible] |
| 0[illegible] Sep 1960 | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 19 Sep 1960 | 27 May 1961 | [illegible]5 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1960 | 06 Jun 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1960 | [illegible] Nov 1961 | [illegible] | CVA [illegible] | [illegible] |

## *Major Overseas Deployments for 1961*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] June 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] June 1961 | | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1961 | [illegible] Sep 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1961 | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] 1961 | | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] June 1961 | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] June 1961 | [illegible] 1961 | | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1961 | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] June 1961 | [illegible] Nov 1961 | | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] Nov 1961 | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1961 | [illegible] Nov 1961 | | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Nov 1961 | [illegible] 1962 | | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1961 | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

## *Major Overseas Deployments for 1962*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1962 | 24 Aug 1962 | CVG-21 | CVA 19 | WestPac |
| 07 Feb 1962 | 28 Aug 1962 | CVG-10 | CVA 38 | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 1962 | 20 Oct 1962 | CVG-2 | CVA 41 | WestPac |
| 19 Apr 1962 | 27 Aug 1962 | CVG-7 | CVA 62 | Med |
| 07 Jun 1962 | [illegible] Dec 1962 | CVG-16 | CVA 34 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1962 | [illegible] Feb 1963 | CVG-19 | CVA 31 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jul 1962 | [illegible] Sep 1962 | [illegible] | CVA 16 | [illegible] |
| 25 Jul 1962 | [illegible] Sep 1962 | CVG-5 | CVA 64 | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug 1962 | [illegible] Oct 1962 | CVG-6 | CVAN 65 | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1962 | [illegible] Mar 1963 | CVG-8 | CVA 59 | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1962 | [illegible] Apr 1963 | CVG-11 | CVA 63 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1962 | [illegible] Apr 1963 | CVG-1 | CVA 42 | Med |
| 19 [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Nov 1962 | [illegible] Jun 1963 | CVG-9 | CVA 61 | WestPac |
| [illegible] 1962 | [illegible] 1962 | | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## *Major Overseas Deployments for 1963*

| Date Departure | Date Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1963 | [illegible] Jul 1963 | CVG-5 | CVA 14 | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Feb 1963 | 04 Sep 1963 | CVG-6 | CVAN 65 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1963 | 10 Sep 1963 | CVG-14 | CVA 64 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1963 | [illegible] 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 1963 | 25 Nov 1963 | CVG-15 | CVA 43 | WestPac |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1963—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 07 Jun 1963 | 10 [illegible] 1964 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Aug 1963 | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 06 Aug 1963 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | 20 Jul 1964 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1964

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 Jan 1964 | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] Vietnam |
| [illegible] Feb 1964 | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr 1964 | [illegible] 1964 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 28 Apr 1964 | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Feb 1965 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 10 Jul 1964 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 05 Aug 1964 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible]/Med |
| [illegible] | 29 Mar [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1965 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1965

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1965 | [illegible] Sep 1965 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 1965 | [illegible] 1965 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 1965 | [illegible] Jan 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1965 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 28 Jun 1965 | [illegible] 1965 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 24 Aug 1965 | 07 Apr 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 19 [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible]/WestPac/Vietnam |
| 28 Sep 1965 | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1966 | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1965 | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1966

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 04 Apr 1966 | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | Med/[illegible] WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | CVW-[illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1966—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jun 1966 | 02 Feb 1967 | CVW-7 | CVA-62 | Med |
| 21 Jun 1966 | 21 Feb 1967 | CVW-1 | CVA-42 | SoLant/IO/WestPac/Vietnam |
| 29 Jul 1966 | 23 Feb 1967 | CVW-2 | CVA-43 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 1966 | [illegible] Mar 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] 1966 | [illegible] Mar 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov 1966 | 19 Jun 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 19 Nov 1966 | 06 Jul 1967 | CVW-9 | CVAN-65 | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1967

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 05 Jan 1967 | 23 Jul 1967 | CVW-5 | CVA-19 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jan 1967 | 20 Sep 1967 | CVW-6 | CVA-66 | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1967 | [illegible] Aug 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 1967 | [illegible] Dec 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 1967 | [illegible] Dec 1967 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1967 | [illegible] Oct 1967 | CVW-10 | CV[illegible] | Med/IO/WestPac/Vietnam |
| 06 Jun 1967 | [illegible] Sep 1967 | CVW-17 | CVA-59 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun 1967 | [illegible] Jan 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jul 1967 | [illegible] Apr 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Aug 1967 | 19 Mar 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1967 | [illegible] Mar 1968 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov 1967 | 04 Aug 1968 | CVW-8 | CVA-38 | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1967 | 28 Jun 1968 | CVW-11 | CVA-63 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 28 Dec 1967 | [illegible] Aug 1968 | CVW-19 | CVA-14 | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1968

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 03 Jan 1968 | 18 Jul 1968 | CVW-9 | CVAN-65 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 27 Jan 1968 | 10 Oct 1968 | CVW-5 | CVA-31 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 10 Apr 1968 | 16 Dec 1968 | CVW-6 | CVA-66 | [illegible]/Vietnam |
| 10 Apr 1968 | 27 Jan 1969 | CVW-7 | CVA-62 | Med |
| [illegible] Mar 1968 | [illegible] Jan 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Jun 1968 | [illegible] Feb 1969 | CVW-10 | CV[illegible] | SoLant/IO/WestPac/Vietnam |
| 18 Jul 1968 | 03 Mar 1969 | CVW-21 | CVA-19 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 23 Jul 1968 | 29 Apr 1969 | CVW-17 | CVA-59 | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1968 | [illegible] Apr 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1968 | [illegible] Mar 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 30 Dec 1968 | 04 Sep 1969 | CVW-11 | CVA-63 | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1969

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 06 Jan 1969 | 02 Jul 1969 | CVW-9 | CVAN-65 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 07 Jan 1969 | 29 Jul 1969 | CVW-8 | CVA-38 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1969 | [illegible] Sep 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Mar 1969 | [illegible] 1969 | CVW-[illegible] | CVA-[illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 05 Apr 1969 | 23 Dec 1969 | CVW-1 | CVA-67 | Med |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1969—Continued

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Apr 1969 | [illegible] Nov 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 09 [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 0[illegible] Aug 1969 | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Aug 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Sep 1969 | [illegible] 1969 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| 2[illegible] Sep 1969 | 0[illegible] Jul 1970 | CVW-15 | CVA 43 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible]4 Oct 1969 | 0[illegible] Jun 1970 | CVW-2 | CVA 61 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1969 | 08 Jul 1970 | CVW-17 | CVA 59 | Med |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1970

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1970 | 27 Jul 1970 | CVW-6 | CVA 42 | Med |
| 0[illegible] Mar 1970 | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Indian Ocean/WestPac/Vietnam |
| 0[illegible] Apr 1970 | [illegible] Nov 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible]7 Jun 1970 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1970 | [illegible] Jan 1971 | CVW-7 | CVA 62 | Med |
| [illegible]4 Sep 1970 | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Caribbean/NorLant |
| 2[illegible] Oct 1970 | 0[illegible] Jun 1971 | CVW-21 | CVA 19 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1970 | [illegible]7 Jun 1971 | CVW-2 | CVA 61 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 0[illegible] Nov 1970 | [illegible]7 Jul 1971 | CVW-11 | CVA 63 | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1971

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 05 Jan 1971 | 0[illegible] Jul 1971 | CVW-17 | CVA 59 | Med |
| 29 Jan 1971 | 2[illegible] Jul 1971 | CVW-6 | CVA 42 | Med |
| 16 Apr 1971 | 0[illegible] Nov 1971 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible]4 May 1971 | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 07 Jun 1971 | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant/Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1971 | [illegible] Feb 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam/[illegible] |
| 06 Jul 1971 | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 16 Sep 1971 | [illegible] Mar 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant/Med |
| 0[illegible] Oct 1971 | [illegible]0 Jun 1972 | CVW-9 | CVA [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Nov 1971 | [illegible]7 Jul 1972 | CVW-15 | CVA 43 | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] 1971 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/NorLant |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1972

| Date of Departure | Date of Return | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 07 Jan 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Feb 1972 | [illegible] 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1972 | [illegible] Nov 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 10 Apr 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| [illegible] Apr 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Indian Ocean/WestPac/Vietnam |
| 05 Jun 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |
| 05 Jun 1972 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1972—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Sep 1972 | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac-Vietnam |
| 23 Sep 1972 | 06 Jul 197[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 16 Nov 1972 | 23 Jun 1973 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac-Vietnam |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1973

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac-Vietnam |
| 10 Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/NorLant/Med |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 23 Jun 1973 | 19 Jan [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1973 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1973 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 18 Oct 1973 | 05 Jun 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] Jul 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 30 Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1974

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | [illegible] Aug 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | 06 [illegible] 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Sep 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun [illegible] | 2[illegible] Dec 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 19 Jul 1974 | 23 Jan 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 06 Sep 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| [illegible] Sep 1974 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 27 Sep 1974 | 19 Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 18 Oct 1974 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Dec [illegible] | 03 Jul 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1975

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan [illegible] | 16 Jul 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jan 1975 | [illegible] Feb 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Sep [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Dec 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 28 Jun 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 16 Jul 1975 | [illegible] Sep 1975 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1975—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 16 Sep 1975 | 05 Mar 1976 | CVW-19 | CV 34 | WestPac |
| [illegible] | 19 Dec 1975 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1976

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | 28 Jul 1976 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | Med |
| [illegible] | 07 Sep 1976 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Mar 1976 | 26 Apr 1976 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Apr 1976 | 25 Oct 1976 | CVW-6 | CV 66 | Med |
| 19 May 1976 | [illegible] Jun 1976 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 07 Jul 1976 | 07 Feb 1977 | CVW-8 | CVN 68 | Med |
| 09 Jul 1976 | 04 Aug 1976 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 30 Jul 1976 | 28 Mar 1977 | CVW-14 | CVN 65 | WestPac/IO |
| 02 Sep 1976 | 09 Nov 1976 | CVW-1 | CV 67 | NorLant |
| 04 Oct 1976 | [illegible] Apr 1977 | CVW-19 | CV 42 | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1977

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1977 | [illegible] Mar 1977 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jan 1977 | 01 Aug 1977 | CVW-1 | CV 67 | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Apr 1977 | [illegible] Nov 1977 | CVW-9 | CV 64 | WestPac |
| 19 Apr 1977 | 05 Sep 1977 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 10 Jun 1977 | 19 Jul 1977 | CVW-6 | CV 66 | SoLant |
| [illegible] Jul 1977 | [illegible] Dec 1977 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | Med |
| 08 Aug 1977 | 02 Sep 1977 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 27 Sep 1977 | [illegible] Dec 1977 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac/IO |
| 29 Sep 1977 | 25 Apr 1978 | CVW-6 | CV 66 | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Dec 1977 | 20 Jul 1978 | CVW-8 | CVN 68 | Med/NorLant |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1978

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med/NorLant |
| [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 1978 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Jun 1978 | [illegible] Feb 1979 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Sep 1978 | [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 1978 | 05 Apr 1979 | CVW-3 | CV 60 | Med |
| [illegible] Nov 1978 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1979

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1979 | 20 Feb 1979 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 16 Jan 1979 | [illegible] Jul 1979 | CVW-7 | CVN 69 | Med |
| [illegible] Feb 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | Med |
| [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] Jun 1979 | [illegible] | [illegible] | IO |
| [illegible] 1979 | [illegible] Feb 1980 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 28 Jun 1979 | 14 Dec 1979 | CVW-6 | CV 62 | Med |
| 20 Aug 1979 | [illegible] Sep 1979 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 10 Sep 1979 | 26 May 1980 | CVW-8 | CVN 68 | Med/SoLant/IO |
| 30 Sep 1979 | 20 Feb 1980 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | IO |
| [illegible] Nov 1979 | [illegible] Jun 1980 | CVW-14 | CV 43 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Nov 1979 | 07 May 1980 | CVW-17 | CV 59 | Med |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1980

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1980 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 10 Mar 1980 | 27 Aug 1980 | CVW-3 | [illegible] | Med |
| 5 Apr 1980 | [illegible] Dec 1980 | CVW-7 | [illegible] | IO |
| [illegible] Jul 1980 | 26 Nov 1980 | CVW-5 | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 04 Aug 1980 | 28 Mar 1981 | CVW-1 | [illegible] | Med |
| 29 Aug 1980 | [illegible] Oct 1980 | CVW-8 | [illegible] | NorLant |
| 10 Sep 1980 | 05 May 1981 | CVW-2 | [illegible] | WestPac/IO |
| 19 Nov 1980 | 10 Jun 1981 | CVW-6 | [illegible] | SoLant/IO/Med |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1981

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1981 | 05 Jun 1981 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Mar 1981 | [illegible] Sep 1981 | CVW-17 | CV 59 | Med/NorLant |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1981—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 03 Apr 1981 | 25 Nov 1981 | CVW-15 | CV 64 | WestPac/IO |
| 14 Apr 1981 | 12 Nov 1981 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | Med/IO |
| 26 Jun 1981 | 16 Jul 1981 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 01 Aug 1981 | 12 Feb 1982 | CVW-8 | [illegible] 68 | Med |
| 20 Aug 1981 | 07 Oct 1981 | CVW-7 | [illegible] 69 | NorLant |
| 20 Aug 1981 | 23 Mar 1982 | CVW-14 | CV 43 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] Sep 1981 | [illegible] 1981 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1982

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04 Jan 1982 | 14 Jul 1982 | CVW-3 | CV 67 | Med/IO |
| 05 Jan 1982 | 13 Jul 1982 | CVW-7 | CVN 69 | Med |
| 07 Apr 1982 | 19 Oct 1982 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | WestPac/IO |
| 26 Apr 1982 | 18 Jun 1982 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 07 Jun 1982 | 23 Dec 1982 | CVW-6 | CV 62 | Med |
| 08 Jun 1982 | 16 Nov 1982 | CVW-17 | CV 59 | Med/IO |
| 25 Aug 1982 | 10 Oct 1982 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | NorLant/Med/Carib |
| 01 Sep 1982 | 28 Apr 1983 | CVW-11 | CVN 65 | NorPac/WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1982 | [illegible] 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorPac/WestPac |
| [illegible] Nov 1982 | [illegible] Mar 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Med |
| 08 Dec 1982 | 02 Jun 1983 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | Med/IO |

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[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1983

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Mar 1983 | [illegible] 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | World Cruise |
| 21 Mar 1983 | 12 Sep 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | World Cruise |
| 27 Apr 1983 | 02 Dec 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| 25 May 1983 | 03 Jul 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant |
| 03 Jun 1983 | 08 Aug 1983 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 15 Jul 1983 | 29 Feb 1984 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Central America/WestPac/IO |
| 27 Sep 1983 | 02 May 1984 | [illegible] | [illegible] | NorLant/Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] 1984 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Apr 1984 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] Med/NorLant |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | IO |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1984

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1984 | 02 Aug 1984 | CVW-2 | CV 63 | WestPac/IO |
| 02 Apr 1984 | 20 Oct 1984 | CVW-17 | CV 60 | Med |

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1984—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 24 Apr 1984 | 14 Nov 1984 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | Carib/Med/IO |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] | 19 Feb [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1985

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | | WestPac |
| [illegible] Feb 1985 | [illegible] Aug [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 10 Jun 1985 | [illegible] Oct 1985 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | IO/WestPac |
| 08 Jul 1985 | [illegible] Aug 1985 | CVW-7 | CVN 69 | Carib |
| 24 Jul 1985 | [illegible] Dec 1985 | CVW-9 | CV 63 | WestPac/IO |
| 24 Aug 1985 | 09 Oct 1985 | CVW-1 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] 1985 | [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] |
| [illegible] | 19 Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | | Med |
| [illegible] Nov [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | | WestPac |

[illegible]

### Major Overseas Deployments for 1986

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 Jan 1986 | 2 Aug 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan 1986 | [illegible] Mar 1986 | [illegible] | | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | 10 Sep 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Jun 1986 | 10 Nov 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] WestPac [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Aug 1986 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med |
| [illegible] Aug 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] WestPac |
| [illegible] Sep 1986 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] 1986 | [illegible] Jul 1987 | [illegible] | [illegible] | Med [illegible] |

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### Major Overseas Deployments for 1987

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1987 | [illegible] Jun [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Jan 1987 | [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] Apr [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac [illegible] |

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1987—Continued

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Apr 1987 | [illegible] Jul 1987 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 05 Jun 1987 | 17 Nov 1987 | CVW-17 | CV 60 | Med |
| 14 Jul 1987 | 29 Dec 1987 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | WestPac/IO |
| 28 Aug 1987 | 09 Oct 1987 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | NorLant |
| 29 Sep 1987 | 28 Mar 1988 | CVW-13 | CV 43 | Med |
| 15 Oct 1987 | 14 Apr 1988 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] 1987 | [illegible] Nov 1987 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1988

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 05 Jan 1988 | 03 Jul 1988 | CVW-11 | CVN 65 | WestPac/IO/NorPac |
| 29 Feb 1988 | 29 Aug 1988 | CVW-7 | CVN 69 | Med |
| 25 Apr 1988 | 07 Oct 1988 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | Med/IO/NorLant |
| 15 Jun 1988 | 14 Dec 1988 | CVW-15 | CVN 70 | NorPac/WestPac/IO |
| 03 Aug 1988 | 03 Feb 1989 | CVW-3 | CV 67 | Med |
| 25 Aug 1988 | [illegible] Oct 1988 | CVW-8 | CVN [illegible] | NorLant |
| 01 Sep 1988 | 01 Mar 1989 | CVW-9 | CVN 68 | WestPac/IO |
| [illegible] | 10 Nov 1988 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| 01 Dec 1988 | 01 Jun 1989 | CVW-14 | CV 64 | WestPac/IO |
| 30 Dec 1988 | 30 Jun 1989 | CVW-8 | CVN [illegible] | Med |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1989

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] Jan 1989 | 24 Feb 1989 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 08 Feb 1989 | 01 Apr 1989 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | Carib/NorLant |
| [illegible] Feb 1989 | [illegible] Jun 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac/[illegible] |
| [illegible] Feb 1989 | 10 Jun 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | WestPac |
| [illegible] Mar 1989 | [illegible] Nov 1989 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 01 May 1989 | 25 Jul 1989 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 01 May 1989 | 30 Sep 1989 | CVW-13 | CV 43 | Med |
| 15 Jun 1989 | 09 Jul 1989 | CVW-9 | CVN 68 | NorPac |
| 15 Aug 1989 | [illegible] Dec 1989 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac/IO |
| 05 Sep 1989 | 09 Nov 1989 | CVW-15 | CVN 70 | NorPac/WestPac |
| 16 Sep 1989 | 19 Oct 1989 | CVW-14 | CV 64 | NorPac |
| 17 Sep 1989 | 16 Mar 1990 | CVW-11 | CVN 65 | World Cruise |
| 04 Nov 1989 | [illegible] Apr 1990 | CVW-6 | CV 59 | Med |

[illegible]

## Major Overseas Deployments for 1990

| Date Departed | Date Returned | Air Wing | Carrier | Area of Operations |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 25 Jan 1990 | 06 Apr 1990 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac |
| 01 Feb 1990 | 31 Jul 1990 | CVW-15 | CVN 70 | WestPac/IO |
| 08 Mar 1990 | [illegible] Sep 1990 | CVW-7 | CVN 69 | Med/Red Sea |
| 23 Jun 1990 | 20 Dec 1990 | CVW-14 | CV 62 | WestPac/IO/Persian Gulf |
| 07 Aug 1990 | 28 Mar 1991 | CVW-17 | CV 60 | Med/Red Sea |
| 15 Aug 1990 | 28 Mar 1991 | CVW-3 | CV 67 | Med/Red Sea |
| 02 Oct 1990 | 17 Apr 1991 | CVW-5 | CV 41 | WestPac/IO/Persian Gulf |
| 08 Dec 1990 | 08 Jun 1991 | CVW-2 | CV 61 | WestPac/IO/Persian Gulf |
| 28 Dec 1990 | 18 Apr 1991 | CVW-1 | CV 66 | Med/Red Sea/Persian Gulf |
| 28 Dec 1990 | 28 Jun 1991 | CVW-8 | CVN 71 | Med/Red Sea/Persian Gulf |

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APPENDIX 4

# U.S. Navy Squadron Designations and Abbreviations

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

VQ Electronic [illegible]

VJ designation was used for both photo [illegible]

[illegible]

## U.S. NAVY SQUADRON DESIGNATIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

[illegible]

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| HTU | Helicopter Training Unit | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## U.S. NAVY SQUADRON DESIGNATIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS—Continued

[illegible]

## U.S. NAVY SQUADRON DESIGNATIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS—Continued

[illegible]

## U.S. NAVY SQUADRON DESIGNATIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |

## U.S. NAVY SQUADRON DESIGNATIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS—Continued

| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

[illegible]

## APPENDIX 5

# *How to Trace Squadron Lineage*

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squadron was established as VA-86 and immediately redesignated VF-84. Neither of these two VF-84 squadrons had any connection with the original Jolly Rogers. Only the present VF-84 operating with the insignia and title of Jolly Rogers can lay claim to the traditions of VF-17, VF-5B and VF-61 that were the Jolly Rogers. [illegible] history [illegible] commenced on 1 July 1955, and it is not a direct descendant of the original Jolly Rogers squadron.

A squadron's history and lineage [illegible] the period during which it is active. Officially, it becomes active (established) [illegible] personnel assigned to it and is listed in the Naval Aeronautical Organization. When a squadron is disestablished its history and lineage end. If a squadron is redesignated while it is active, the lineage and history of the unit is carried on by the newly redesignated squadron. The following is an example of what occurs when a squadron is redesignated and its lineage and history remain unbroken:

The current VFA-25 was originally established as Torpedo Squadron 17 (VT-17) on 1 January 1943. On 15 November 1946 VT-17 was redesignated VA-6B and carried the designation until [illegible] April 1948 when it was redesignated VA-65. On 1 July 1959 VA-65 was redesignated VA-25 and the unit remained attack squadron 25 until it was redesignated VFA-25 in July 1983. The history and lineage of the present VFA-25 dates back to its origin. There has been no break in the active duty status of the squadron even though its designation changed four times.

The current VA-106 provides an example of what happens when a squadron is disestablished and then later the same number is used again. This squadron was established at NAS Cecil Field on 1 April 1984. VA-106 inherited the designation of VA-106 [illegible]. The squadron may have inherited the traditions of the old VA-106 but it cannot have the lineage and history of the old VA-106. The list of commanding officers for the old VA-106 is not part of the list of commanding officers for VA-106. The history of old VA-106 came to an end on [illegible] November 1969 when it was disestablished and its personnel were transferred to other duty stations. At this time VA-106 was removed from the active list in the Naval Aeronautical Organization.

Appendix 1 in this book will provide the lineage listing for all squadrons that have been assigned VA, VAH, VAK, VAL, VAP and VFA designations.

## APPENDIX 6

# Lineage Listing for VA, VA(AW), VAH, VA(HM), VAK, VAL, VAP, and VFA Designated Squadrons

T[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

### Attack Squadrons (VA)

| Squadron Designation | Lineage | Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

### Attack Squadrons (VA)—Continued

| Squadron Designation | Lineage | Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Attack Squadrons (VA)—Continued

| Squadron Designation | Action | Date of Action |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Attack Squadrons (VA)—Continued

| Squadron Designation | Action | Date of Action |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VA-46 disest. | 30 Jun 1991 |
| VA-52 | Reserve sqd. VF-884 called to active duty | 20 Jul 1950 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Attack Squadrons (VA)—Continued

| Squadron Designation | Action | Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| 2nd [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| 2nd [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 2nd [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 2nd [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 2nd [illegible] | Reserve sqd. VP-671 called | |
| | to active duty | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| 2nd [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Attack Squadrons (VA)—Continued

| Squadron Designation | Action | Date |
|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] disest. | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VA-85 disest. | 29 Nov 1949 |
| (2nd) VA-85 | Reserve sqd. VA-859 called | |
| | to active duty | [illegible] |
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| | VA-[illegible] | Reserve sqdn. [illegible] activated | [illegible] |
| | | VA-[illegible] returned to reserve status | 10 Nov 1968 |
| | VA-830 | Reserve sqdn. VA-830 activated | Feb 1968 |
| | | VA-830 returned to reserve status | [illegible] |
| | VA-[illegible] | [illegible] VA-[illegible] |  |
| | VA-[illegible] | Reserve sqdn. VA-[illegible] activated | Feb [illegible] |
| | | VA-[illegible] returned to reserve status | [illegible] |
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## Attack Squadron (All Weather) (VA(AW))

| Squadron Designation | Action | Date |
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| VA(AW)-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig VA(AW)-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VA(AW)-[illegible] redesig [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] history records | |
| VA(AW)-[illegible] | [illegible] | |

## Heavy Attack Squadrons (VAH)

| Squadron Designation | Action | Date |
|---|---|---|
| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | 01 Nov [illegible] |
| | Earliest of VAH-[illegible] formed from [illegible] which was disest | |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig RVAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | RVAH-[illegible] disest | [illegible] |
| | See RVAH-[illegible] history records | |
| VAH-2 | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] Nov [illegible] |
| | Earliest of VAH-2 formed from [illegible] which was disest | |
| | VAH-2 redesig [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | See VAH-[illegible] history records | |
| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | Earliest of VAH-[illegible] formed from [illegible] which was disest | |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig RVAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | RVAH-[illegible] disest | [illegible] Aug 1979 |
| | See RVAH-[illegible] history records | |
| VAH-[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | See [illegible] history records | |
| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig VAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig RVAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | RVAH-[illegible] disest | [illegible] |
| | See RVAH-[illegible] history records | |
| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig VAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig RVAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | RVAH-[illegible] disest | [illegible] |
| | See RVAH-[illegible] history records | |
| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] Aug [illegible] |
| | [illegible] redesig VAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig RVAH-[illegible] | 01 Dec [illegible] |
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| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] Dec [illegible] |
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| VAH-[illegible] | Estab as [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VAH-[illegible] redesig RVAH-[illegible] | [illegible] |
| | RVAH-[illegible] disest | [illegible] |

## Heavy Attack Squadrons (VAH)—Continued

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## Attack Mining Squadron (VA(HM))

[illegible]

## Tactical Aerial Refueling Squadron (VAK)

[illegible]

## Light Attack Squadron (VAL)

[illegible]

## Heavy Photographic Squadron (VAP)

[illegible]

## Heavy Photographic Squadron (VAP)—Continued

[illegible]

## Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA)

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| | VA-82 redesig. VFA-82 | 13 Jul 1987 |
| VFA-83 | Reserve sqd. VF-916 called | |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA)

| Squadron Designation | Change | Date |
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## Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA)

| Squadron Designation | Change | Date |
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## APPENDIX 7

# Types of Aircraft Listed in the Squadron Histories

THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF AIRCRAFT are listed in the Aircraft Assignment section of each squadron history covered in this book.

| Aircraft Designation | Popular Name | Manufacturer |
|---|---|---|
| A-1E (AD-5) | Skyraider | Douglas |
| A-1G (AD-5N) | Skyraider | Douglas |
| A-1J (AD-7) | Skyraider | Douglas |
| A-3A (A3D-1) | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A-3B (A3D-2) | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A-4B (A4D-2) | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A-4C (A4D-2N) | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A-4[illegible] | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A-4[illegible] | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A-4[illegible] | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A-5A (A3J-1) | Vigilante | North American |
| A-6A | Intruder | Grumman |
| A-6B | Intruder | Grumman |
| A-6[illegible] | Intruder | Grumman |
| A-6E | Intruder | Grumman |
| A-7A | Corsair II | Vought |
| A-7B | Corsair II | Vought |
| A-7[illegible] | Corsair II | Vought |
| A-7E | Corsair II | Vought |
| AD | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD[illegible] | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD[illegible] | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4[illegible] | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-[illegible] | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4B | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4L | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4 | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4NL | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4N | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4Q | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4NA | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-4W | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-5 | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-5 (Redesignated A-1E) | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-5N | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-5W | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-6 (Redesignated A-1H) | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AD-7 (Redesignated A-1J) | Skyraider | Douglas |
| AF | Guardian | Grumman |
| AJ | Savage | North American |
| AJ-2P | Savage | North American |
| AM | Mauler | Martin |
| AP-2H | Neptune | Lockheed |
| A3D-1 (Redesignated A-3A) | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A3D-2P | Skywarrior | Douglas |

| Aircraft Designation | Popular Name | Manufacturer |
|---|---|---|
| A3D-2[illegible] | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A3D-2 (Redesignated A-3B) | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A3D-2P (Redesignated RA-3B) | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A3D-2[illegible] | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A3D-2[illegible] (Redesignated [illegible]A-3B) | Skywarrior | Douglas |
| A3J-1 (Redesignated A-5A) | Vigilante | North American |
| A4D-1 | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A4D-2 (Redesignated A-4B) | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| A4D-2N (Redesignated A-4C) | Skyhawk | Douglas |
| [illegible] | | Great Lakes |
| BTM-1 | | Martin |
| BTM-2 | | Martin |
| BT | | Northrop<br>[illegible] |
| [illegible]-2 | | Douglas ([illegible])<br>([illegible]) Consolidated-Vultee |
| [illegible] | Demon | McDonnell |
| [illegible] | Phantom | McDonnell |
| | Phantom II | McDonnell |
| [illegible] | Phantom II | McDonnell |
| [illegible] | Phantom | McDonnell |
| F-5E | Tiger II | Northrop |
| F-5F | Tiger II | Northrop |
| F-8A (F8U-1) | Crusader | Vought |
| F-8[illegible] (F8U-1[illegible]) | Crusader | Vought |
| F-8C (F8U-2) | Crusader | Vought |
| F-8[illegible] (F8U-2N) | Crusader | Vought |
| F-8[illegible] (F8U-2NE) | Crusader | Vought |
| F/A-18A | Hornet | McDonnell Douglas |
| F/A-18B | Hornet | McDonnell Douglas |
| F/A-18C | Hornet | McDonnell Douglas |
| F/A-18D | Hornet | McDonnell Douglas |
| F/A-18E | Hornet | McDonnell Douglas |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| F[illegible] | Phantom | McDonnell |
| FJ-[illegible] | Fury | North American |
| FJ-3M | Fury | North American |
| FJ-[illegible] | Fury | North American |
| FJ-4B | Fury | North American |
| FM | Wildcat | General Motors |
| F2H-1 | Banshee | McDonnell |
| F2H-2 | Banshee | McDonnell |
| F2H-2N | Banshee | McDonnell |
| F2H-[illegible] | Banshee | McDonnell |
| F2H | Banshee | McDonnell |
| F3D-2 | Skyknight | Douglas |
| F3H-2 (Redesignated F-3B) | Demon | McDonnell |
| F3H-2M | Demon | McDonnell |
| F4D | Skyray | Douglas |
| F4U | Corsair | Vought |
| F4U-[illegible] | Corsair | Vought |

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | Douglas |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | North American |

# Glossary of Abbreviations and Terms

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| AMRAAM | Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile |
| ACV | Designation for Escort Carriers or Auxiliary Aircraft Carrier |
| Adm | Admiral |
| AFEM | Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal |
| AG | Air Group |
| AGMR | Major Communications Relay Ship |
| Air Det | Air Detachment |
| AKV | Aircraft Ferry, later Cargo Ship and Aircraft Ferry |
| Arr | Arrested landing |
| ARM | Antiradiation Missile |
| ASW | Antisubmarine Warfare |
| ATG | Air Task Group |
| AVG | Designation for Escort Carriers |
| AVT | Designation for Training Aircraft Carrier |
| BuAer | Bureau of Aeronautics |
| CAINS | Carrier Aircraft Inertial Navigation System |
| CAP | Combat Air Patrol |
| CAPT | Captain |
| Carib | Caribbean Sea |
| CDR | Commander |
| | Commanding Officer |
| COD | Carrier Onboard Delivery |
| COMFAIR | Commander Fleet Air |
| COMHEAVATKWING | Commander Heavy Attack Wing |
| COMLATWING | Commander Light Attack Wing |
| COMMATVAQWING | Commander Medium Attack Wing |
| COMOPDEVFOR | Commander Operational Development Force, United States Fleet |
| COMSTRKFIGHTWING | Commander Strike Fighter Wing |
| CONUS | Continental United States |
| CW | Cold Weather Operations |
| CV | Designation for Aircraft Carrier |
| CVA | Designation for Attack Aircraft Carrier |
| CVAG | Attack Carrier Air Groups |
| CVAN | Designation for Attack Aircraft Carrier, Nuclear-powered |
| CVB | Designation for Aircraft Carrier, Large |
| CVBG | Battle Carrier Air Groups |
| CVE | Designation for Aircraft Carrier, Escort |
| CVEG | Escort Carrier Air Groups |
| CVG | Carrier Air Group |
| CVG(N) | Night Carrier Air Groups |
| CVHA | Assault Helicopter Aircraft Carrier |
| CVHE | Escort Helicopter Aircraft Carrier |
| CVL | Designation for Aircraft Carrier, Small |
| CVLG | Light Carrier Air Groups |
| CVN | Designation for Aircraft Carrier, Nuclear |
| CVS | Designation for Antisubmarine Support Aircraft Carrier |
| CVSG | Antisubmarine Carrier Air Groups |
| CVT | Designation for Training Aircraft Carrier |
| CVW | Carrier Air Wing |
| CVU | Designation for Utility Aircraft Carrier |

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| Disest | Disestablished |
| DMZ | Demilitarized Zone |
| ECM | Electronic Countermeasures |
| Enter | Enterprise (CV 6) |
| Enter AG | Enterprise Air Group |
| Est | Established |
| FEWSG | Fleet Electronic Warfare Support Group |
| FMS | Foreign Military Sales |
| ft | Feet |
| FY | Fiscal Year |
| g.p. | General purpose |
| HARM | High speed antiradiation missile |
| hp | horsepower |
| HSM | Humanitarian Service Medal |
| HVAR | High Velocity Aircraft Rocket |
| IFF | Identification Friend or Foe |
| in | Inch |
| IO | Indian Ocean |
| JATO | Jet Assisted Takeoff |
| JMUA | Joint Meritorious Unit Award |
| KIA | Killed in Action |
| KLM | Kuwait Liberation Medal |
| KPUC | Korean Presidential Unit Citation |
| KSM | Korean Service Medal |
| Lant | Atlantic |
| lbs | Pounds |
| LCDR | Lieutenant Commander |
| Lex | Lexington (CV 2) |
| Lex AG | Lexington Air Group |
| LPH | Amphibious Assault Ship |
| LSO | Landing Signal Officer |
| Lt | Lieutenant |
| Lt(jg) | Lieutenant Junior Grade |
| MAD | Magnetic Airborne (or Anomaly) Detection |
| MAG | Marine Air Group |
| MAW | Marine Air Wing |
| MCAS | Marine Corps Air Station |
| Med | Mediterranean Sea |
| MIA | Missing in Action |
| MiG | Russian designated aircraft designed by Artem I. Mikoyan and Mikhail Gurevich |
| MUC | Meritorious Unit Commendation |
| NAAF | Naval Air Auxiliary Facility |
| NAAS | Naval Air Auxiliary Station |
| NAF | Naval Air Facility |
| NAE [illegible] | Naval Air Engineering [illegible] |
| NAS | Naval Air Station |
| NATO | North Atlantic Treaty Organization |
| NAVE | Navy Battle E Ribbon |
| NDSM | National Defense Service Medal |
| NEM | Navy Expeditionary Medal |
| NFO | Naval Flight Officer |

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| NM | Nautical Mile |
| NorLant | Northern Atlantic Ocean |
| NorPac | Northern Pacific |
| NS | Naval Station |
| NUC | Navy Unit Commendation |
| NVG | Night Vision Goggle |
| Ops | Operations |
| ORI | Operational Readiness Inspection |
| Pac | Pacific |
| POL | Petroleum, oil, lubricants |
| POW | Prisoner of War |
| PUC | Presidential Unit Citation |
| RAdm | Rear Admiral |
| RAG | Replacement Air Group (later Combat Readiness Air Group) |
| RCVW | Combat Readiness Air Wing |
| Redesig | Redesignated |
| RIO | Radar Intercept Officer |
| RN | Royal Navy |
| RVAH | Reconnaissance Attack Squadron |
| RVNMUC | Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation<br>(Gallantry Cross Medal Color with Palm) |
| SAM | Surface to Air Missile |
| SAR | Search and Rescue |
| Sara | Saratoga (CV 3) |
| Sara AG | Saratoga Air Group |
| SASM | Southwest Asia Service Medal |
| SEALS | Sea-Air-Land team |
| SoLant | Southern Atlantic Ocean |
| SoPac | South Pacific |
| Sq | Square |
| TACAN | Tactical Air Navigation System |
| TO | Take Off |
| TWA | Trans World Airlines |
| UNSM | United Nations Service Medal |
| USAT | U.S. Army Transport |
| USMC | United States Marine Corps |
| USN | United States Navy |
| USNS | United States Naval Ship |
| VA | Attack Squadron |
| VA(AW) | All Weather Attack Squadron |
| VAdm | Vice Admiral |
| VAH | Heavy Attack Squadron |
| VA(HM) | Attack Mining Squadron |
| VAK | Tactical Aerial Refueling Squadron |
| VAL | Light Attack Squadron |
| VAP | Heavy Photographic Squadron |
| VAQ | Carrier Tactical Electronics Warfare Squadron |
| VAW | All Weather Airborne Early Warning Squadron or Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron |
| VB | Bombing Squadron |
| VBF | Bomber-Fighter Squadron |
| VC | Composite Squadron |

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| VCP | Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron—Composite |
| VGS | Escort Scouting Squadron |
| VF | Fighting Plane Squadron or Fighter Squadron |
| VFA | Fighter Attack Squadron or Strike Fighter Squadron |
| VD | Reconnaissance Squadron or Photographic Squadron |
| VNSM | Vietnam Service Medal |
| VP | Patrol Squadron |
| VS | Scouting Squadron or Carrier Antisubmarine Squadron |
| VSF | Antisubmarine Fighter Squadron |
| VT | Torpedo Squadron |
| VX | Air Test and Development Squadron |
| WestPac | Western Pacific Ocean |
| York | Yorktown [illegible] |
| York AG | Yorktown Air Group |
| 1st | First |
| 2nd | Second |

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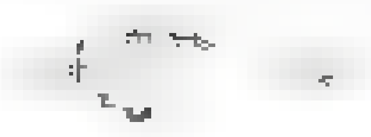

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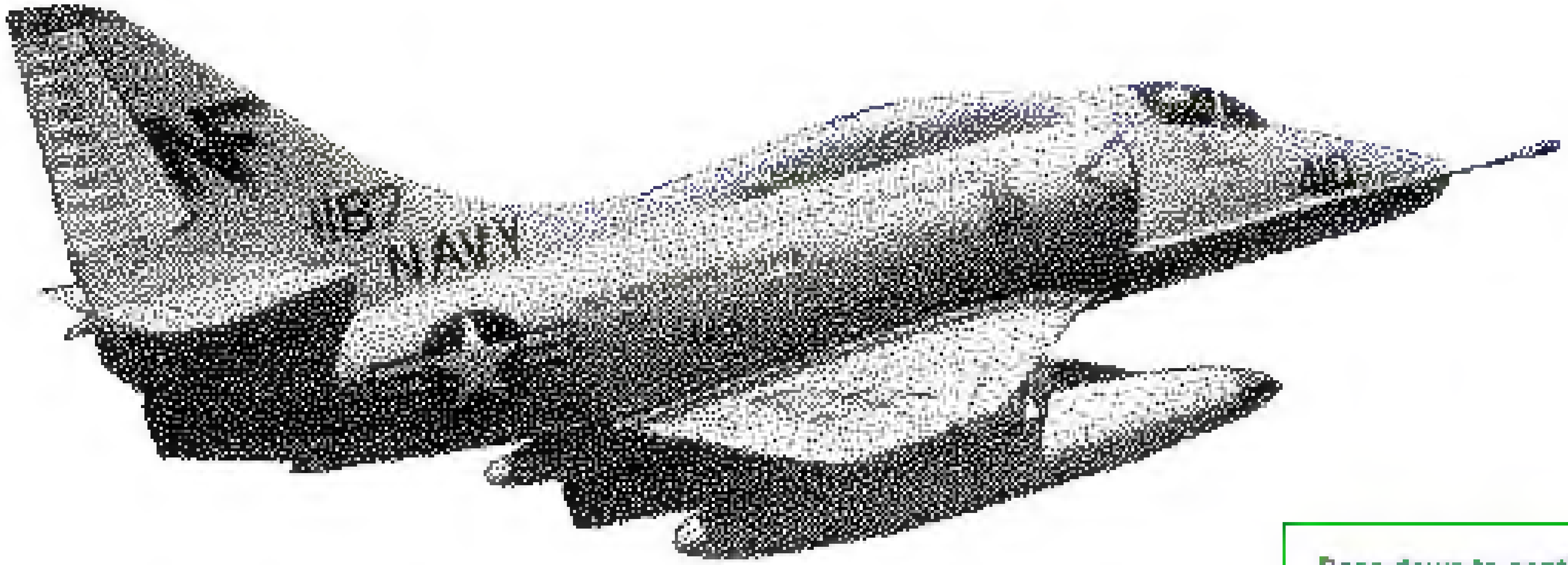

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